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Victoria Watchers Lead All Continent Record Bird Tally?

The birdwatching section of the Victoria Natural History Society may come close to setting a new Canadian record in the annual bird count held yesterday across the North American continent.

It was still uncertain late last night whether the 36 bird counters in the Greater Victoria area had counted 123 or 125 species, because there were two "probables" which will have to be checked out in the next day or two.

1961 RECORD

Last year, Victoria recorded 121 species and a total of 59,000 birds, setting a Canadian record. Prairie counts usually produce 15 to 25 species.

Three rare birds were spotted, a trumpeter swan, a white-fronted goose and a great horned owl, said David Stirling, who with Tom Briggs organized the census and compiled the results.

BIG COUNT

Bird watchers gathered at the home of G. A. Poynter, 1535 Monterey, last night to turn in their counts. Mr. Stirling said he thought some 50,000 to 60,000 birds were counted during the day.

The count also showed that starlings are scarce here this year, and that two summer birds, the Audubon's warbler and the western tanager, are still here.

10,000 TAKE PART

The Christmas bird counts are held from the Rio Grande to Alaska. More than 10,000 persons equipped with notebooks, binoculars and telescopes participated in last year's count. Results are published in the Audubon Field Notes.



Missile Killer Picks Right Target

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Nike-Zeus anti-missile missile successfully intercepted the first intercontinental ballistic missile target using decoys in a Pacific test yesterday, the U.S. Army announced.

Two Zeus missiles were fired against the target and its decoys, but one of the Zeus missiles developed trouble after launching and was destroyed, the announcement said.

One of the questions raised by defence department experts about the army's Nike-Zeus has been its ability to "discriminate" between the true ICBM target and decoys which show similar images close to the true target on a radar screen.

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"Yes and no," she says in regard to prestige and attractions of the church.

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The Church In Our Time

Prestige Sparks Opposing Views

By JURGEN HERSE

Seventh of a series

Prestige of the church is growing, says a Roman Catholic priest, but only the less orthodox churches are developing prestige and attraction, says an adherent of the Unitarian Church.

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Disturb the Undisturbed

Force, fear, duty?

How can these three words be correlated to the church?

"The church is doing a lot of self-examination," Miss Butler continues. "We have to disturb the undisturbed."

One of the problems of a church congregation is that many families across Canada move continually and before they have time to establish close ties with the church, she says.

"There is no waning in respect (toward the churches)," says Rev. R. D. Holmes of Central Baptist Church.

"People here are concerned, they are interested. Our counselling sessions are increasing."

Snows Sweep Europe

GENEVA (Reuters) — Heavy snows swept across Europe today, snarling traffic and stranding skiers attracted by reports of good skiing conditions over the Christmas holiday in Europe's mountain resorts.

Swiss roads were buried in up to 20 feet of snow in avalanche-prone winter resorts and paralyzed rail traffic.

An avalanche swept over the St. Gotthard pass jamming the international railroad line between Switzerland and Italy.

Hoffa Jury Works On

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) —

The jury trying James Hoffa on conspiracy charges reported Saturday night — for the third time — it was deadlocked after 14 hours but agreed to return

if enough people could speak out, something would change. Atheist and agnostic

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Union president's case today.

Greetings Dodge Race Ban

PORT ELIZABETH (AP) — Christmas cards have taken a political slant in South Africa this year. Thousands have been sold bearing photographs of Albert Luthuli, president of the banned African National Congress who is barred from public appearances, and five other Congress leaders. Luthuli is a Nobel peace prize winner.



ALBERT LUTHULI

41 Escape Only Pilot Killed

BRASILIA (AP) — A Brazilian airliner with 42 persons reported aboard crashed Saturday night near Brasilia International Airport while preparing to land at this inland capital. The fire department said only one person died — the pilot. Seven crew and 25 passengers were reported aboard the Varig airliner on a two-hour flight from Rio de Janeiro to Brasilia.

A fireman said the co-pilot was severely hurt and most others on the twin-engine plane suffered minor injuries. The pilot was taken out alive but died later.

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Fog on Freeway

One Killed, 50 Hurt In 200-Car Pile-Up

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Two hundred cars piled into each other on the fog-bound Santa Ana Freeway Saturday night in a gigantic chain highway collision which claimed one life and left 50 injured.

It started when a woman driver with a flat tire pulled off the road.

A Roman Catholic nun was killed.

Off-duty sheriff's deputy Bob Bolong, 36, was one of those involved.

"I hit, then the car behind hit me twice," he said.

"I ran back to place some flares.

"From then on you could hear the crashes up the freeway — boom, boom, boom — all down the line."

Havana Prisoners

1,113 'Mad with Joy'

HAVANA (AP) — Spirits were reported running high Saturday night behind the walls of Havana's Principe Prison and on the pens.

1,113 Cuban invasion prisoners are held. Word of their impending release — on Monday, Christmas Eve according to the Prisoners' Families Committee in Havana — reached them Friday.

"MAD WITH JOY"

"They're fascinated and mad with joy," said Berta Barreto, a Cuban working with the Prisoners' Families Committee. She is the mother of one of the prisoners. Her husband, Jesus, is in Miami, Fla.

She said the men were still gulping down food sent to them in packages this week from their families here and abroad.

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news of the prisoner exchange say most of the prisoners — on their front pages Saturday morning. For the first time, the invasion 20 months ago — in the Bay of Pigs — in the newspapers referred to as the "mad with joy" invasion.

Cuban newspapers printed the called them "worms."

First Plane Today Ransom Ship Sails

MIAMI (AP) — Official U.S. sources said Saturday night the first plane load of Cuban invasion prisoners would be flown to Florida about 5:30 a.m. PST today.

Meanwhile, other Pan Am planes will fly to Havana carrying cargo which will supplement the drugs and food

demanded by Prime Minister Castro in modern history's biggest ransom deal — for 1,113 men captured in the April 17, 1961, invasion of the Bay of Pigs in southwest Cuba.

Workers toiled all night and a ransom-laden freighter sailed from Port Everglades, Fla., for Havana.

BULLETIN

NANAIMO (CP) — One man died and three others were detained in hospital Saturday night as a result of a two-car collision on a curve on the Island Highway near Parksville, 20 miles north of here.

Police identified the victim as George Harry Dodge, formerly of Parksville now in the Canadian Army.

The cars involved crashed head-on, police added.

Crash Kills Brothers

QUEBEC (CP) — Quebec provincial police reported Saturday night three brothers of a religious order were killed and an other critically injured in a two-car collision in Laurentide Park, north of here.

Reporters' inquiries at Soviet

VALERIAN ZORIN ... rank unclear

Soft-Line Switch Ousts UN's Zorin

MOSCOW (AP) — Valerian A. Zorin, veteran hard-line Russian negotiator, tripped up by the Kremlin's soft-line switch in the Cuban crisis, was removed Sunday as Soviet delegate to the United Nations.

Nikolai T. Fedorenko, now ambassador to Japan, was nominated his successor, Tass reported.

In announcing the change, Tass mentioned no new assignment for Zorin and left unclear whether Zorin's rank as a deputy foreign minister was affected.

Fedorenko, 50, is a Far Eastern affairs expert who also has made clear.

Reporters' inquiries at Soviet

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negotiations headquarters in New York brought only expressions of surprise. Callers were told no official word of the change had been received.

Zorin was at the delegation's country house in Glen Cove on Long Island. UN acquaintances of Zorin suggested that health might be a factor in the change.

They said Zorin, who is 60, was tired and seemed somewhat unsure of himself at a press conference Saturday reviewing the UN General Assembly session.

Fedorenko, 50, is a Far Eastern affairs expert who also has served in the Soviet Embassy

in Peking.

Macmillan found out clearly in last week's meeting with Kennedy at Nassau.

The underlying, long-range significance of the Nassau pact, as Kennedy's associates see it, is not simply that it settles the Skybolt missile controversy with Britain but that it lays down for the first time the outlines of a plan for building a strategic nuclear force within NATO and it made a start on that plan.

Kennedy's parallel offer to sell France Polaris submarine missiles on the same terms

negotiated with Macmillan was the big surprise of the Nassau negotiations.

France now has its long-sought recognition of its right to sit in the deadly game of nuclear power politics, alongside the United States, Britain and Russia. But President de Gaulle also has a challenge from Kennedy to make up his mind about the kind of Europe he wants to work for and what its relationship with the U.S. should be.

Kennedy is driving for a uni-

versal Europe with many military, political and economic partnerships with the U.S. in the broad framework of the Atlantic community.

At Nassau, Kennedy talked with Macmillan about Britain's bid for membership in the European Common Market because Kennedy feels that as Britain's power of empire fades its true role lies in the projected new European community. De Gaulle has conceived of a Europe organized principally

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Kennedy Seeks Modernized NATO

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The Gill Report

THE GILL committee report on unemployment insurance tabled in the House of Commons just before Parliament adjourned for Christmas is a document which goes some way toward separating the insurance and the welfare aspects of Canada's system of support for the jobless, although not as far as one might have anticipated from the composition of the committee with two of its four members prominent in the underwriting field. It also provides ways of shoring up the insurance fund which dropped from \$926,776,000 at the end of 1956 to less than \$20,000,000 last May, portending possible bankruptcy.

But urgent as changes may be, the report demands most careful consideration before in part or in entirety its recommendations are turned into legislation.

It proposes shortening the period for which benefits are payable although increasing the benefits to a more helpful level, with the government excluded from contributing financially to this part of the operation. This presumably would bring income and outgo into desirable insurance relationship. Extended benefits for those who had exhausted their regular entitlement, paid for entirely by the federal government, assistance based on needs-tests for the "hard-core" unemployed, and abolition of benefits for repetitive seasonal unemployment would complete the picture.

Thus more clearly workers' premiums would buy them insurance and beyond that their entitlement if any would be to public aid, and this would be a good contribution to better understanding of the system, at least; possibly even one that would tend to mitigate abuses.

In all other insurance, however, the premiums are geared to individual or classified risks, not to the income of the insured, and this principle seems to have been totally ignored by the committee in its findings except perhaps in its recommendation that coverage for self-employed fishermen should be withdrawn. This is understandable in view of the extreme difficulty of assessing the risk in each case or whole classes of cases. The lack of relationship between risk and premium introduces a strong element of unfairness, however, when the committee recommends compulsory inclusion of almost all workers in the unemployment insurance system.

Brought in for the first time, if this suggestion is accepted, will be hundreds of thousands of employees of governments, teachers, and persons earning more than \$5,460 annually.

Most of these, certainly almost all government employees and teachers and a large proportion of persons in higher salary brackets, are so secure in their jobs that they would be paying for benefits they would never need or receive. Hence for such participants contributions would be a tax rather than insurance premiums, and an inequitable tax, being escaped by the self-employed, the professional people, the farmers and various other income-earners.

This circumstance suggests that before the government frames proposed law to alter the unemployment insurance plan, it should ask itself if the part of the support program that goes beyond the purchase of protection by those who may be seen as in reasonable need of it, and their employers, is not the financial responsibility of the whole country, and preferably to be paid for out of general revenue.

In Jolly Guise

MR. BENNETT was not exactly playing Santa Claus at the Yuletide party he attended in Vancouver last week but he exuded the good cheer associated with that portly gentleman. He was in his most jovial and all-embracing mood.

Like most of us at this time of year he was full of promises, of those little white wows which, alas, all too seldom last long into a new year.

He promised a 365-day program full of good will for the entire year of 1963. This, surely, is too much. Even Santa Claus at his most benevolent could not compete with such a gesture. He plays it safe by limiting his largesse to the Christmas season alone.

And, be it not forgotten, there is a session of the Legislature coming up next month. That would test any man's good will to the limit, let alone that of the certain chief target of opposition, Mr. fire.

He had a gift too for the premier-elect for Point Grey, Dr. McClellan. He was "the boy to have his chance." He assured him of two, three or more sittings before he has to face the voters again. At its limit this would exceed the constitutional life of his government.

There was bountiful ahead for everyone, almost. Something for the unemployed, somewhere. No compulsory right-to-work legislation. A wage raise for some PGE workers and more liberal pensions. And a booming time for all of B.C., which in 1963 would have the best year ever.

Even without a white beard and a red robe Premier Bennett, obviously, was at the top of his form. Santa himself couldn't have done better.

Ah well, Christmas is Christmas, when it is meet for everyone to have a jolly good time.

Hansard Titbits

What Kind?

MR. PICKERSGILL: All I suggest is that the hon. member looks up the promises that were made in the election campaign of 1957 and he will find that the Prime Minister promised, if it was feasible, to build it, and for five years...

Mr. Bell: On a point of order, the hon. member has changed his phrasology now to "if it is feasible."

Mr. Pickersgill: Well, there was to be an investigation and for five years the investigation was delayed. We all remember the farce when the former minister of public works, who no longer is in this House, was here and he was asked about these studies. We remember that other farce when the minister of public works who is no longer here...

Mr. Lewis: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I do not want to be and I hope I am not taken as trying to be superior, but may I ask when the debate will come back to the subject of the Atlantic development board? This is a purely political exchange.

Mr. Pickersgill: If the hon. gentleman does not think there should be political exchanges in parliament, what kind of exchanges does he think there should be?

Mr. Lewis: Relevant ones, Mr. Speaker.

Thinking Aloud

"... of shoes, and ships, and sealing wax . . ."

By TOM TAYLOR

BY some happy quirk of fate Christmas carols this year have not publicly come to my ears in volume, certainly not with the overwhelming impact that at other Yuletide seasons staled their beauty before the time was ripe. My footsteps may have led me to the wrong places, or my ears may have been unaccountably closed against them. Or it may be that, while Santa made his commercial appearance with preserving promptitude, the carols have been more gently dealt with this year. At any rate the loudspeakers seemed less strident than of yore.

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I DID enjoy carols grace the other day however when the Rotary Boys' Choir led a club luncheon assembly with verve and fine rendition. It was a co-operative effort, with members and their ladies vying for the singing honors. Community singing of this nature is always a test of the vocal aptitudes of the opposite sexes, and while no doubt I am filled with the bias associated with one side of the human family I have in this instance to concede the superiority of the other. A woman's voice distills sweetness even if she is not a prima donna, whereas the untrained masculine voice? . . . Except in carol singing probably it would be better unheard, but somehow in this context it shares the exaltation of the moment.

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Did you ever sit in palpitation anticipation of winning a turkey? There you are perhaps, your number stubs spread out in front of you, hoping the gods will look your way, or, more factually, that the pull-out of the lucky numbers will extract one of yours. It is an exciting moment and, eying your neighbors, you can see how amazingly they cross their fingers. Not that I am in palpitation. Once I won a turkey but this was such an unusual lucky-number experience. I knew there could be no early recurrence. I could sit calmly without strain on my nerves. One never knows about such things, naturally. The chap sitting next to me, for instance, had waited 15 long years but at last, presto, out came his winning slip.

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A WELL-KNOWN local figure, Captain D. J. Proudfoot, has come and gone with, in the past ten days, his flight from Ayr, Scotland—where he has been for the past two years—occurred on the death of his son. He aims to convey to his many friends his appreciation of their condolences and sympathetic messages. Having to return speedily to Ayr for Christmas he has been unable to answer all the cards and letters he received, but he is grateful.

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DID you ever complete a Christmas card list without leaving someone out? This is even more difficult of accomplishment than winning a turkey draw. My contribution to this Yuletide habit is, I fear, confined only to office mail and should be much more easily and correctly fashioned. A more capable individual attends to the family end of the Christmas greetings. I should therefore be master of my separate less voluminous portion, but alas! I know for certain I shall have been remiss in some measure. So, my apologies to any business friend if I have seemed negligent, and my thanks to those who have addressed this column in traditional vein.

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I CANNOT condone the departure of South Africa from the Commonwealth—I am not prepared to live in a republic outside the Commonwealth," he said.

Mr. R. J. Jones, senior lecturer in English, left for Brazil declaring: "I am very pleased at the idea of going to a country where there is no racial prejudice. Political problems are very distracting. I cannot concentrate on important work here."

At present, both sides are far from an agreement. The overdue reform of NATO will thus have to be once more postponed.

It is difficult to summarize the reasoning of America's speakers. Probably it was Walter Lippmann who best expressed Washington's real thought when he stated that in a car there should be but one driver.

We must add finally that Europe's and especially France's, evolution towards nuclear armament is irreversible. All experts agree that the point of no return has been passed.

It would thus be better if, instead of making a public spectacle of our differences and too often using arguments of dubious value aimed at a badly informed public opinion, we would try to face the situation in a spirit of realism and mutual understanding. There is still in the United States too much instinctive distrust of Europe, based on the bad experiences of 1945. America does not comprehend sufficiently that things have changed here, that a new Europe has emerged, as shown for instance by the votes of the French people this autumn.

Some of Europe's main interests are only marginal for the U.S.A. One has to say frankly that there are states belonging to NATO whose survival, as seen from Washington, does not justify the risk of having the substance of the American nation destroyed. In the Kremlin's perspective these are the areas where the American atomic deterrent is not effective.

It is logical, therefore, that to protect themselves these states want Europe to have nuclear weapons on which it freely dis-



Another Christmas Angel

Exodus Hits Professions

South Africa's Fleeing Talent

(By a Special OPNS Correspondent from Capetown)

EVERY year South Africa loses some of its best brains. University professors and lecturers, doctors, engineers, architects, lawyers and business men pack up and leave. Yet more immigrants are arriving than at any other time since 1948, when the present Nationalist government came to power.

The faith displayed by these immigrants, some of whom are white exiles from Kenya, in the future of South Africa is not shared, however, by the talented men who are leaving.

Whites in South Africa have become soft, according to some observers. The former director of the National Institute for Personnel Research estimates that out of every four or five white South African boys do not make the most of his educational potentialities. . . . Vigorous action should be taken to bring home to the white population that the best way of maintaining their position is achievement.

More outspoken critics have described education standards as being among the lowest in the world, particularly in government schools. Tens of thousands of parents send their children to English-medium private schools, which they regard as the last outposts of education in South Africa.

Parents have complained of race prejudice and indoctrination at government schools. They say some history books are slanted. They point to the government's policy of "Christian National Education," a fundamentalist-type education seeking to confirm the philosophy of permanent white supremacy, and to eliminate the last vestiges of liberal thought from the country.

Educational standards are infinitely lower among the non-whites. The government's "Bantu education" system tries to inculcate in non-white children the belief that they are inherently inferior to whites. This finds its parallel in the separate non-white "universities" or "bush colleges" which the government has established.

Finally, there is the decline of the English language. Immediately after the Second World War English was still the predominant language. Now it is used less and less by whites and non-whites alike.

Prominent English-speaking South Africans have launched a campaign to ensure the survival of English. But where will the teachers come from?

Of 11,007 teachers in Transvaal provincial schools, only 19.2 per cent are English-speaking.

A prominent educationist said:

"If the English community

wants its language to survive it will have to do something about it." But most English-speaking South Africans are apathetic. They either refuse to believe that the English language in South Africa is threatened, or they shrug their shoulders and ask: "What can we do about it?"

Romance of Our Hymns

Fanny Crosby

By KATHLEEN BLANCHARD

TO other writing is quite like a hymn. It is the expression of feeling within . . . sometimes the philosophy of a life-time summed up in a few words.

So it was with Fanny Crosby, the blind poetess. She maintained that hymns fasten upon the imagination and ease the mind. A familiar tune may arrest the attention, perhaps to start a tear, as memory gently draws back the curtain of long ago.

It was when Fanny Crosby was about 45 years of age that she gave up song writing and determined in future to write only hymns. In this she found her true vocation; for she relates that she was happy every day of her life.

From her blindness she seemed to derive deep insight into reality. The good her

words have accomplished who can estimate?

It was just a year after writing "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" (which is perhaps the favorite of her hymns) when one day towards the Christmas season Fanny Crosby was attending a Bible meeting.

The leader read aloud, in a voice full of meaning, the Psalm: "O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands . . . and come before His presence with a song . . ."

It seemed to her imagination that she was lifted into an ecstasy of praise to the Maker of all things. In this entranced mood she joined in the angels' story, with poetic feeling.

Quickly her friends took down the words that fell from the blind poetess' lips almost faster than they could be written.

This is the carol:

"O'er the waves of Judah Awoke the heavenly song;

"Carol, sweetly carol,

"Goodwill, peace and love,

"Glory in the highest To God who reigns above.

Carol, sweetly carol,

"The happy Christmas time;

"Hark! the bells are pealing Their merry, merry chime;

"Carol, sweetly carol,

"Ye shining ones above, Sing in loudest numbers,

"O sing redemptive love."

Time Capsule

First Contest

From Colonist Files

FIRST annual home-lighting contest sponsored by the Victoria Junior Chamber of Commerce culminated in the grand prize of \$75 being awarded to J. Lomas of 1888 Hollywood Crescent, 28 years ago.

There were more than 30 competitors, and many homes other than those entered in the contest were beautifully illuminated.

Turkeys were advertised at from 25 to 35 cents a pound, roasting chickens at 22 cents, and choice geese at 25 cents. But at that, the birds were more costly than most meat: prime rib roasts of beef were 24 cents a pound, corned beef 12 cents, mirlion and round steaks 15 cents, and minced beef eight cents.

Victoria's film industry was saved from immediate extinction by deletion of a proposed clause in Britain's Cinematograph Act which would have barred films made in the Dominions as "quota" pictures.

"It will be a merry Christmas after all," said Kenneth J. Bishop, president of Central Films Ltd., which had made 12 movies at its studios in the Willows fairgrounds.

A photograph of a bowl of Victoria roses occupied nearly half of the front page of the Colonist, 50 years ago.

"Roses at Christmas is one of Victoria's claims to a premier place as the residential city of Canada . . . In a hundred gardens within the limits of Greater Victoria roses in full bloom were to be found any day last week, and not roses only, but pansies, snapdragons, violets, chrysanthemums, and geraniums knows what else besides."

In Seattle a lone bandit was finally arrested after commanding the touring car of a department store president and compelling the chauffeur to drive him at "night speed" the entire length of the city and back to the business district, holding up a saloon and a grocery store, wounding two men, and twice engaging in pistol duels with motorcycle policemen who pursued the car at 40 miles an hour.

"The bewildering display of novelties suitable for the holiday season" was said never before to have been exhibited, and Victoria's store windows claimed to rank in beauty and variety with those in any metropolitan centre, 75 years ago.

In particular, The Colonist seemed impressed with the butcher shop of Lawrence Goodacre, the Queen's Market:

"From 6 o'clock the time when all arrangements were completed, a continual stream of people poured in and out of the shop, which being brilliantly lighted up, an effect tending to capture the eye. Now it is used less and less by whites and non-whites alike. In 1947, the year before the Nationalist government came to power, 54.8 per cent of African parents writing their matriculation exemption examination passed; by 1959 the figure had fallen to

Commonwealth Outlets Doomed



Unnoticed

Chilean president Jorge Alessandri passes unnoticed as he strolls along downtown Santiago street. The 60-year-old bachelor, who walks 10 blocks unguarded every day from his home to the presidential office, recently visited Washington for talks with President Kennedy.

Indians Would Take Over

Fijians Spurn 'Freedom'

By ROBERT CURRY
While the rest of the world's colonial vestiges shout for "independence," Fiji Island

ers are making it clear they still live a communal life which does not recognize private property, live only from day to day.

The Fijians recognize this. And they know their way of life will only continue as long as the British stay. (Copley News Service)

Christmas Devotion

Not Enough

By ERNEST MARSHALL HOWE

In my library I have a book which consists of a series of lectures given by Dr. Willard Speer, one-time Dean of Harvard Divinity School. The book is entitled *Jesus*. Then and Now. A woman once referred to it, giving the title *Jesus, Now and Then*.

Jesus, Now and Then, has been too often the pattern of Christian thinking; and perhaps this fact never becomes more obvious than at Christmas. For a while at Christmas we make a great ado about His birthday. But when the celebrations are over we promptly forget about His mission.

There may be some symbolism in Christmas decorations. In our homes and churches, and sometimes in our city

squares, we set up at Christmastime lovely creches depicting the Christ-child in the manger, with Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, and the wise men. And we may even have a star. We cherish the scene with its graphic story and its symbolism.

Then the Christmas season passes. The Christmas decorations are taken down, the Christ-child and all those associated with Him are put away in the basement, or up in the attic in some convenient storage place.

Of course, at the appropriate time the Christ-child will once again be taken out of His hiding place. The accumulated dust will be brushed off, and once more we shall bring out the creche and the Babe in the manger.

Consciences Salved

We salve our consciences by annual obsequies to the Babe, without paying attention to the Man. It is easier to observe a festival than to dedicate a life.

Throughout the world today there are many places in non-Christian lands where Christmas decorations have become an accepted part of the year round of festivities.

They are accepted as courtously by non-Christians as, for example, the Hindu festival of Diwali (also a festival of lights and candles) is accepted by Christian friends of Hindus in India, or in the countries where Hindus happen to live throughout the world.

I myself have attended festivals of Diwali here in Canada, and have had pleasure in doing so. But it involves no commitment to Hindu belief, can succeed in the throne shall remain void forever.

I suspect that a great many royalty of the heavens shall be abolished.

Extinction of Gods

"Fate in the form of science has decreed the extinction of the gods. Mary and her baby must join Venus—living with them only in the world of art." It is easy to admire the Christmas creche if it has reference only to the world of art. But Christians cannot segregate Christ to any segment of life or time.

Christians will have failed in its ministry to our spirits if it is only an episode in the lives of those who wish to do more than think romantically of Jesus now and then.

Christians is for those who think of Jesus Then and Now, and who remember the Babe

to rededicate their lives to the purposes of which He lived and died.

"Sealed unrelentingly a hard year long, Goodwill and tenderness break into song.

But by some curious logic fearful men, After the season seal them up again."

It is well that goodwill and tenderness should break into song at Christmas; and better still if the song is an overflow of thanksgiving from hearts grateful in God for His gifts.

But, when the time of the carols is over, let us not put aside our devotion as we pack away our decorations.

All-Japanese Cast For My Fair Lady

TOKYO—An all-Japanese production of the hit musical, *My Fair Lady* is to be staged here early next year.

Glamorous singing star Izumi Yukimura is expected to play Bernard Shaw's Cockney flower girl, Eliza Doolittle. The role of Professor Higgins will be played by Tadao Takashima.

A primitive treatment had come into its own and taken its place in the armamentarium of medical science.

Recently Dr. John French of the University of California Brain Research Institute described how some of the great new tools of science are being used to find out how the human brain functions.

These tools include the electron microscope, fantastically tiny probes—a 50,000th of an inch thick—which measure the electric potential of individual

By JANE ARMSTRONG
(from London)

Commonwealth imports in a Common Market that includes Britain can be cut by half in eight years, says a confidential report by Dr. H. B. Krohn, head of the economic research division of the European Economic Community in Brussels.

The reduction would be due to huge food surpluses within the EEC, stimulated by high prices paid to European grain producers, chiefly in France.

Dr. Krohn's report, which has not been published, is one of the documents being used by the community's backroom committee of experts now attempting to break the deadlock over terms for British agriculture.

A brief summary which appeared in some West German newspapers was published by the Daily Telegraph.

Commonwealth officials here said they were astonished and apprehensive. They pointed out that Dr. Krohn's findings disposed of the argument that the Common Market price system will be "reasonable" to ensure outlets for future Commonwealth exports.

Canadian agricultural exports

to Britain last year amounted to \$238,000,000, of which wheat accounted for \$140,000,000.

But there were also big wheat sales to Europe, in particular West Germany.

Canadian agricultural exports

to Canada's expense. This year France had the biggest wheat crop in her history, equal to Canada's.

Canadian Wheat Board officials say that the squeeze on our wheat exports already has begun.

The hub of the Krohn report

is the amount to be paid to European wheat growers in 1970 when national prices are to be harmonized in a single price.

At present these cereal prices are far higher than Canadian and the trend to protectionism now evident in Brussels indicates the high level will be maintained, thus shutting out imports.

This year's wheat prices in Europe show what Canadian farmers are going to be up against. Target wheat price in France is \$102 a ton; in Germany \$136 a ton; in Italy \$117.

Canadian No 1 Northern, rated the best in the world, is delivered to Rotterdam for only \$78 a ton. But the Common Market levy on outside imports raises the Canadian wheat price to about \$115 by the time the grain reaches millers.

This system is designed to give France an advantage, and to ensure her exports to Germany

not permit it to carry out the necessary detailed study.

The job is of such magnitude that even with the necessary staff and resources it would take two years to complete. The plan is already long overdue, but it's clearly a case now of better late than never.

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Lack of One Hinders Development

We Must Have Master Plan

By IAN STREET

Lack of a comprehensive plan is slowing down development of Greater Victoria.

There is no such plan in existence and immediate prospects of carrying out the necessary detailed studies appear to be remote.

What of the 30-page report titled "a plan for the capital region of B.C.?"

It is just that—a report.



the street, and project all aspects of future growth.

The report of the Capital Region Planning Board in 1958, this widely-praised document touches on future developments throughout the area, but deals only in generalities.

It would make a good introduction to a comprehensive plan for the region that, when completed, would probably be as thick as the New York City telephone book.

To serve its purpose well the plan must provide a complete and detailed analysis of the structure of the entire urban community.

It must give complete statistical information on the people and their mode of living, their physical environment down to the manholes on

the street, and project all aspects of future growth.

The report of the Capital Region Planning Board touches on these things and as far as it goes is a good report. But it can't be implemented until a lot more work is done.

In its present form the report is too vague, too incomplete to serve any far-reaching practical purpose.

The traffic section might have, but did not outline a one-way street system for downtown Victoria. City traffic experts are now trying to finalize just such a plan, but they are forced to work without the vital knowledge that would have come from a detailed regional traffic study.

A master plan provides the bone structure for future development of the region.

Local authorities still have to do the detail work, plan projects that fit into the regional framework.

main static. It must change to keep up with growth of the area and to meet new conditions.

The capital region plan does not take into account the growth of traffic through the Saanich peninsula as the result of the government's Swartz Bay-Tsawwassen ferry service, and it only makes passing reference to the fact that the Inner Harbor may someday lose its position as Victoria's "front door."

Greater Victoria finds itself caught in the squeeze. We have no plan and the limited resources of the Capital Region Planning Board at present do

not permit it to carry out the necessary detailed study.

The job is of such magnitude that even with the necessary staff and resources it would take two years to complete. The plan is already long overdue, but it's clearly a case now of better late than never.

Shortly after the war metropolitan Winnipeg carried out a detailed planning study of this kind. Over a period of three years planning consultants hired to do the job produced a "bone structure" that will probably still be used as a reference several decades from now.

With such tools, French and his colleagues are starting to find out how one part of the brain reacts to a stimulus; how it communicates with another part of the brain; how that part of the brain gives orders to the body. They are expecting to learn how the brain fights sickness of the body and how it may cause sickness in the body.

French said a new understanding of the brain's physiology may lead to the discovery of drugs, surgical procedures and other modes of successful treatment.

But, if physical methods might help the brain, would it not be possible to use behavioral disciplines—such as hypnosis, and yoga—to restore health to both the brain and the body? Could French's new brain physiology bring these methods into the house of true medical science? I thought of the rauwolfia story.

French smiled at the question.

"Certainly," he said. "We know that natural rhythms such as are used in hypnosis can change the rhythm of the brain. From there on, there is the possibility that many other changes can be made."

We are already deeply interested in yoga and we have been studying with practitioners of Yoga who have come to us from India. It is very possible that behavioral disciplines will play a therapeutic role."

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The man who started it all, Kokichi Mikimoto, developer of cultured pearl process, is shown here shortly before his death in 1934.

Records in Review

These May Help to Solve Last-Minute Gift Problem

By CLYDE GILMOUR

With only one day left to shop, here are some recommended recordings for your last-minute Christmas gift-list . . . including a few you may feel justified in bestowing on yourself.

The selections range from classical masterworks to jazz to show-business to novelties, in no particular order.

• **BACH: Saint Matthew Passion** (complete) — Otto Klemperer conducting Philharmonia Orch. and Choir of London, with soloists Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Peter Pears, Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, Charles Ludwig (Angel 3599 E.L., five discs, mono or stereo). Long awaited, and worth the wait. A superlative performance of one of the world's treasures of sacred music, with sonics to match.

• **HEROLD-LANCHERY: La File Mal Gardée**, comedy ballet — Royal Opera House Orch. of Covent Garden under John Lanchbery (London mono 8821, stereo 6252). One of the real "finds" of the year—jubilant and exuberant music, joyously played and richly reproduced.

• **TCHAIKOVSKY: Piano Concerto No. 1**—Sviatoslav Richter, with Vienna Symphony Orch. under Herbert von Karajan (Deutsche Grammophon mono 18822, stereo 13822). Overworked though it has become, the ultra-familiar concerto still has its hidden glories. They are excitingly manifested in this Russian-German-Austrian collaboration.

• **DYLAN THOMAS: A Child's Christmas in Wales** and five poems (Caedmon 1002). The cello-voiced Welshman made these recordings in New York not long before his death in 1953. He seems to be right in the room beside you as he speaks, and what he says is the truth.

• **REIFFER-PIATIGORSKY CONCERT**, with William Primrose, Leonard Pennario (RCA Victor LD-6158, three LPs). A luxurious item for chamber-music fans. Included are works by Mozart, Mendelssohn, Schubert, Brahms and Franck.

• **BEETHOVEN: The Five Piano Concertos** — Wilhelm Kempff, with Berlin Philharmonic under Ferdinand Leitner (Deutsche Grammophon mono 18773, stereo 138774). The German master here pours out a lifetime of thought and experience into these well-varied concertos, complete on four LPs.

• **THE FIRST FAMILY** (Cadence mono 3080, stereo 25080). A runaway best-seller, this clever collection of satirical sketches about the Kennedys deserves its success. Vaughn Meader sometimes sounds more like JFK than the President himself.

• **MILHAUD: La Creation du Monde and Suite Provençale**—Boston Symphony Orch. under Charles Munch (RCA Victor LD-2825, mono or stereo). A semi-jazzy ballet score and an affectionate, sunny tone-poem to the composer's French homeland. Visual as well as aural pleasures are offered in this handsome album.

• **BRITTEN: A Ceremony of Carols**—Texas Boys' Choir directed by George Bragg (Decca mono 10080, stereo 710080). I never heard of them before but these young Texans obviously are a finely trained group. Overdrive they sing carols of many lands. Realistic sound.

• **THE LIGHT FANTASTIC: A Tribute to Fred Astaire** — Andre Previn Trio (Columbia mono 1108, stereo 8888). Ten of Astaire's songs from stage and screen, in small-combo jazz treatment—marked by grace and vitality without boisterous pandemonium.

• **JAZZ SAMBA** (Verve 8432, mono or stereo). Feat. Stan Getz and Charlie Byrd, this was the first Bossa Nova disc to score a hit with the new Latin-tinged quiet jazz. It still rates among the best.

They Murder for Fun of It

Beware Killer Whales

Dining With CAL SMITH

Killer whales are vicious beasts that know no natural enemy, except perhaps other killer whales. They'll smash an ice-flow to get at a polar bear, walrus or sea lion. And, hunting in packs, they will attack and kill even the giant sperm whale.

Seals, sea lions, and porpoises are its main diet, but the killer derives its name from its habit of wantonly killing for joy rather than its need for food.

Streaking in among a herd of seals, the whale may annihilate the herd, yet never eat one of the unfortunate creatures.

It would appear, therefore, that the diver, particularly one dressed in a black wet suit, is especially vulnerable to the killer whale because of his resemblance to the seal.

However, there has never been a recorded case of an unprovoked attack on man underwater.

I have been in the water three times at least, when the killers were in the same area and never knew they were there until I left the water.

Killer whales are common in the waters of every ocean in the world and are particularly abundant in the cold waters of the Pacific Northwest where salmon, seals, and sea lions are as plentiful.

And, in their travels to and from the north, many of the

large herds use Georgia Strait as a shortcut.

These wandering herds pass near Yellow Rock, on the south tip of Denman Island, and never miss the opportunity to hunt and play on the deep, nearby reefs.

Once, while I swam around the remains of the steamship Alpha, which rests on the reef watched over by the Yellow Rock lighthouse, my wife and the lighthouse keeper's family watching from the cliffs above, witnessed a most unusual occurrence.

Suddenly, although they could determine no reason for it, fish of all kinds began frantically leaping from the water. A few minutes later, everything was quiet again.

Underwater, I had been completely unaware of the occurrence and we didn't learn until the following day about the school of killer whales that had been sighted a couple of miles away by fishermen.

Another day I finished a leisurely dive and climbed un hurriedly into our 12-foot boat only seconds before a huge bull

He Gave Pearls to All Women

By KIP COOPER

TOKYO—Why shouldn't every woman be able to own a pearl?

For 4,000 years only European royalty, Indian nabobs and the very wealthy could afford "Tears of the Moon." Then in 1890 an impoverished Japanese noodle vendor asked himself the question.

Natural pearls were rare and exorbitant. The Bible mentions them. Tales about them are legend. Caesar's drive for the British Isles was spurred by reports of "shimmering seas of pearls." Cleopatra made the most expensive pledge in history when she dissolved a rare pearl in wine and toasted Mark Anthony.

The poor noodle vendor was Kokichi Mikimoto, who promised himself at 12 that he would become wealthy. Selling noodles, as his father before him, didn't seem promising.

Mikimoto branched out to pushcart of vegetables, fruits and soy bean paste. He and his wife Ume saved their money and waited for opportunity.

The sight of fantastic prices brought by tiny smodding pearls at a Yokohama marina exhibit gave Mikimoto his inspiration. Today he is the world's "Pearl King."

MEMORIZED

Mikimoto memorized the exhibit. An oyster is a living organism. It has a mouth, feet, liver, stomach and other functional organs. It also protects itself against injury much as a human being. The human eye waters when struck by foreign objects. Foreign objects lodged in an oyster are isolated by layers of calcium carbonate the oyster manufactures from sea chemicals in thousands of razor-thin layers. A pearl simply put, is the scar formed when these protective layers solidify.

IRRITANTS

Mikimoto reasoned that he could mass produce pearls by deliberately inserting irritants into oysters. He bought 10,000 oysters and staked out a "farm" in shallow coastal waters. He experimented by placing



Japanese girls at work in Mikimoto shop in Tokyo sorting and stringing cultured pearls taken from oysters raised in pearl beds near Kobe.

irritants in various spots in pearl oysters. Years of heartbreak followed. Relatives called him a "pearl maniac." His wife's work in their noodle shop was their only source of income. Debts piled up.

July 11, 1893, was Mikimoto's coup de maître. He and Ume were on the last batch of his oyster stake. They had been at it six days. Ume wearily opened another shell and there was a lustrous semi-spherical pearl.

They were not perfect because they were not round. But they were still valuable. More important to Mikimoto, he had made them. He sold the noodle shop and patented his process.

Subsequent experiments showed him how to induce growth of round pearls. Mikimoto was on his way to fame and fortune as the originator

ART BUCHWALD Reads Between Lines

Incidental Intelligence

Society Pages

Sensation

WASHINGTON — Ever since we moved to Washington we've been reading the society pages with interest. The Washington society pages are different than any others in the world and most people turn to them before they read the front pages.

The reason for this is that the hard news about world events is often times buried in paragraphs devoted to embassy receptions, official dinners, and New Frontier cocktail parties.

"This is how a typical Washington society page story reads:

"The Russians threw a wonderful party at their embassy last night to celebrate the arrival of the Bolshoi Ballet. In the receiving line was First Secretary Karpov, who with his lovely wife Zina told me she was sorry

the Ambassador couldn't be there, but he had been called to the White House for important conferences with the President.

"When I asked Zina where the Ambassador's wife was, she replied, 'She's packing the Ambassador's bag for a trip to Cuba.'

"I was very disappointed, as I enjoy talking to the ambassador so much. But despite their absence, the table was loaded with caviar and smoked sturgeon and there was a lovely centerpiece of flowers which were arranged to look like an ICBM missile. Zina can do wonders with flowers.

"In the main salon I met Gen. Werick Jablonsky, the handsome Polish military attaché and his beautiful wife, Minka.

"Werick was telling some funny stories about Berlin and when I asked him if he thought Russia would sign a pact with East Germany he handed me a glass of champagne and said, 'It's quite possible.'

"Minka was wearing a stunning blue dress and a blue hat with a veil to match. She always seems to have a nice word for everybody.

"I met Mrs. Nganda Ula, wife of the Congolese minister for economic affairs, who said her husband couldn't be there as he was being held prisoner by the Katangans. Mrs. Ula was wearing an Indian sari of gold threads interwoven with pink and she looked striking.

"I was about to ask her how she was doing with her house-hunting when Col. Singh of the Indian Military Mission and his wife greeted me. I hadn't seen them since Jackie Kennedy's visit to New Delhi.

"The Singh's made me promise to come to a dinner party they were giving Prime Minister Nehru who was coming on a secret mission to see President Kennedy.

"General and Mrs. Birch of the British embassy told me it looked as though Britain would soon join the Cuban embargo. But what I really wanted to know was where Mrs. Birch got her beautiful beaded bag. 'That,' she said, 'is a military secret.'

"Maj. Hang Po, of Nationalist China, told me an amusing story about Quemoy and Matsu. He also revealed he was being relieved to take over a squadron of F-101s and I was sorry to hear it as Maj. Po is an well-liked in Washington circles and supports all the charities in town.

"It was a wonderful party and would probably have gone on all night if someone hadn't shot the Bengolian Charge d'Affaires. I had to go off to the Swedish embassy for a candlelight dinner, so I never did find out who did it."

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Returns from this year's TB Christmas Seal campaign are running about \$1,000,000 ahead of last year. Mrs. J. U. Rinnert, chairman of the Greater Victoria appeal, said yesterday.

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CONTINUOUS LESSON

Low quality pearls are discarded. Kokichi Mikimoto once burned 750,000 secondate pearls in the streets of Kobe to shame inferior pearl dealers imitating his products and to demonstrate the selective quality of Mikimoto pearls.

After our interview, Mikimoto, who incidentally is the

elder Mikimoto, died in 1954, had a difficult time when he first tried to export his pearls. His creations made a sensational debut in Europe. But Paris jewelers had a vested interest in expensive natural gems. The high prices would be forced down by Mikimoto's pearls selling at one-fourth the price. Dealers handling his pearls were boycotted.

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Christmas Eve Show

It's Bing and Mary Again!

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — The jolliest yule tidings from Hollywood will beam into millions of homes Christmas Eve when Bing Crosby and Mary Martin appear together for the first time on television.

It was a thrilling experience, even to old-timers, to see these giants of entertainment rehearse their hour-long show.

Bing, decked out in red sweater, checked slacks

and straw hat, slipped an arm around Mary and the pair of them sent a shiver through a dozen onlookers as they harmonized on "Walt Till the Sun Shines, Nelly."

The years melted away to the early 40s when Bing and Mary first recorded the tune. Their 1962 rendition is as good or better.

Mary's fetching figure was encased in white ski stretch

pants and a white turtleneck sweater. She laughed at Bing's little dance step and joined him in a medley of old favorites scheduled for the show.

Christmas Eve will be a trip down memory lane for the stars as well as viewers. The repertoire includes Singing in the Rain, What's New, Only Forever and I'm in Love with a Wonderful Guy.

Both Bing and Mary, how-

ever, vow the program will not be awash with sentiment and mauldin reminiscence.

"Just a happy little get-together after 20 years or so," the groaner surmised. "She's quite a gal, that Mary. She's my kind."

The last time we worked together," recalled Mary, "was in the movie Birth of the Blues 21 years ago. No one knows how wonderful it is to be singing duets with Bing again."



Bethel Columnist, Atwood
Sunday, Dec. 23, 1962

What's Next!

Today — Music of Bethlehem, St. Paul's Church Hall, Sidney, 3 p.m.

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JOHN CROSBY Pops In to See JOHN STEINBECK

He Cannot Get Over Those Wonderful Fanfares

LONDON — No one in my class," Time calls him jugged, which is accurate but not especially relevant.

The Europeans surround their awards with more panoply than we do in North America, which may be one reason why everyone takes them so seriously. Steinbeck was terribly impressed by the whole thing.

"I've never heard a fanfare in my life," he said. "Have you ever heard a fanfare?"

I said they'd had a fanfare for Queen Elizabeth at the opening of Lawrence of Arabia, but of course that's different. Queens are used to fanfares. Authors aren't and I think Steinbeck may find it difficult to get back to work after having fanfares played for a form of literary criti-

"I've never been afraid of the patsy to give the address at the Nobel dinner. I had never given a speech before in my life."

"I spoke before 850 people at a table the size of a football field. Kind of calms you down, that big a table. My speech was about five-and-a-half minutes, very short. But there was so much warmth to this gathering—in spite of the fanfares. I must say, I enjoyed the fanfares very much. Very reassuring, those fanfares."

"All the scientists speak before the academy, but I was

ever written anything very important after they'd won the Nobel Prize. I didn't bring this up but Steinbeck did. "I don't intend the Nobel Prize to be a kind of epitaph," he said firmly. "I don't mean it to be that and if I thought it would be I would have refused it."

Steinbeck is at work on a major project, which has something to do with the Arthurian legends, but he's reluctant to talk about it. We talked instead about prizes in general. "I don't know how this prize ever got this mystique around it. I'm in trouble."

They're Dancing Their Way Back

Tap-Tap

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — It's not many performers who get a chance for the second time around. That's why I'm having the time of my life."

This was Eleanor Powell, at 50, sitting on top of a whole new career. On the night after Christmas she is making her television dancing debut with Perry Como. She is drawing top salaries in Las Vegas and other show spots. And she is planning a concert tour that will take her through the United States and Europe.

Not bad for a star who had not danced for 14 years.

"It's the greatest feeling in the world to be able to come back and find an audience still waiting," she said. "I thought they would have forgotten by now."

The Eleanor Powell story would indicate that stars never fade. Hailed as the greatest female tap dancer, she was a hit on Broadway and then starred in a string of glittering MGM musicals such as Born to Dance, Rosalie, Honolulu, Lady Be Good and the Broadway Melodies of 1936-38-40.

Then she met and married a promising young actor named Glenn Ford, and retired.

Two years ago the marriage broke up.

"It was Christmas time and I was pretty shaken up," she said. "My son Peter suggested that we get out of town for Christmas. He thought we might go up to Las Vegas."

While there, singer Pearl Bailey told Peter that it was his duty to see that his mother returned to performing.

Egged on by her son, Eleanor underwent nine months of intensive tap and ballet lessons, dropped from 149 pounds to 122. When she returned to Las Vegas, she went in triumph.



The Legs

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Betty Grable returned to the footlights last week after a two-year absence, and it's a pleasure to report that she's still in great shape.

That means 37-24-35.

"I haven't done a thing but play golf for two years," she reports, "but when I reported for costume fittings, I found the dimensions were exactly the same as when I was making pictures at Fox."

Betty opened with her old-time co-star, Dan Dailey, in Hotel and Dolls at the Dunes Hotel in Las Vegas.

She's playing the role of see me. Vivian Blaine got the Adelaide, which she says she role.

'Tropic' To Be Filmed

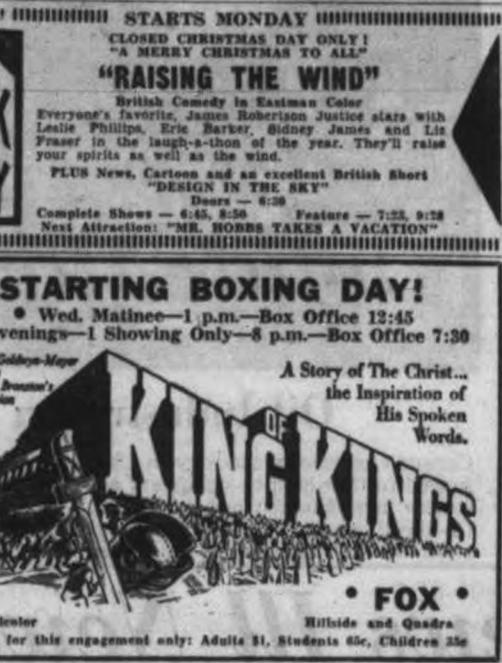
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Producers Joseph Levine has announced that his company will make Henry Miller's controversial novel Tropic of Cancer into a \$2,000,000 movie.

Levine, president of Embassy Films, said first shooting is scheduled in Paris next summer.

Technicolor

Hillside and Quadra

Prices for this engagement only: Adults \$1, Students 50¢, Children 25¢



STARTS MONDAY

CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY ONLY! "A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!"

"RAISING THE WIND"

British Comedy in Eastman Color

Everyone's favorite, James Robertson Justice stars with Eric Bitter, Shirley James and Lin Fraser in the last picture of the year. They'll raise your spirits as well as the wind.

PLUS News, Cartoons and an excellent British Short "DESIGN IN THE SKY"

Feature — 7:00, 9:30

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• Wed. Matinee — 1 p.m. — Box Office 12:45

• Evenings — 1 Showing Only — 8 p.m. — Box Office 7:30

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer presents Samuel Bronston's Production

A Story of The Christ... the Inspiration of His Spoken Words.

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Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer presents Doris Stephen, Jimmy Durante, Martha Raye, Day Boyd, Durante, Raye

• DEAN JAGGER •

• PAKAVISION... METROCOLOR •

Royal

So that the Staff of this Theatre may enjoy Christmas with their families... doors Boxing Day will open at 8 p.m.

doors Christmas Day will open at 3 p.m.

doors Boxing Day will open at 1 p.m.

STARS TOMORROW!

THE HAPPIEST HOLIDAY SHOW

SPECIAL NOTE To permit members of our staff to enjoy Christmas Dinner with their families

CHRISTMAS DAY — DOORS OPEN 3:00 p.m. Feature 3:35, 5:35, 7:30, 9:30

No Greater Laughs for Love or Money!

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THE IDEAL GIFT!

Famous Players GIFT

BOOKS SHIR Available After the Stores Have Closed!

He's a public howl as a private eye!

Jerry Lewis

LOOKING FOR A LOST HOR (H-H-H, HE DOESN'T KNOW IT'S HIMSELF)

IT'S ONLY MONEY

JOAN O'BRIEN-ZACHARY SCOTT

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CARTOON Plus "Spring in the Scandinavian" Latest World News

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Last Complete Show 9 p.m.

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CAPITOL

A STARS PLAYERS THEATRE

Cathedral Repeats Success

Christmas Cantata, Opera Mark the Holiday Season

There is Christmas music this afternoon at 3 when the senior choir of St. Paul's Church in Sidney provides a performance of Frederick Holton's cantata, The Music of Bethlehem.

Under the direction of Mrs. W. H. Powell, this takes place at the church hall and the soloists will be sopranos Lillian Puckett, Eva Byford and Eileen Pettigrew, contralto Vera Pedlow, tenor Frank Aldridge and bass Cliff Gander.

There will be seven performances of Gian-Carlo Menotti's Amahl and the Night Visitors at Christ Church Cathedral. The first three are on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week and the

remaining four on Jan. 2, 3 and 5; in each case at 8 p.m.

This is the second occasion when Amahl has been presented in the cathedral. Some of the personnel who contributed to the initial success are back for the second presentation, including directors Audrey Johnson (stage) and Maurice Johnson (technical), Peggy Walton Packard as Amahl's mother, Norman Tyrrell as Kaspar and Margaret Hall, responsible for the design and execution.

Richard Proudman is musical director and Lisel Petter is choreographer. Amahl will

be sung by John Peter; Melchior by Stanley Martin; Balasar by Derek MacDermot. The part of the Page is played by Larry John. This column would like to special good wishes for Christmas and the New Year. These are the people who contribute so much to our local entertainment without being seen: the directors and designers; the costumers and carpenters; the makeup artists and prompters; the sound and lighting experts; the stage and property managers and others. Although acknowledged on programs, they are usually the first forgotten when the show closes and not too much thought is given to what that show would have been like without them.

STARS TOMORROW

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Supply and Demand Neglected in Britain

By HARRY YOUNG

Colonist Business Editor

The British make some things better than anyone else in the world, but they don't always make the best of their selling opportunities.

Two British lines for which there is a tremendous Christmas demand are a super brand of safety razor blades and a new style of rubber golf shoe with replaceable spikes.

But to the intense annoyance of merchants and customers alike, deliveries are just not coming through.

NOT FOR MONTHS

The British firms say they are swayed under with orders and won't be able to catch up for months.

The makers of the razor blades have been turning them out for years, but all of a sudden they have made a public appeal and the company has been caught short of productive capacity. The existing supplies are being rationed out to get customers in small numbers.

LIKE DUCKS

The rubber shoes arrived originally in Victoria in early fall.

Heavy rains that turned local courses into miniature lakes made rubber shoes an essential for golfers. The British shoes took to the lakes like ducks and the local supply was quickly sold out.

"We have been trying to get a new supply for more than two months," said a local golf professional, "but they seem to be sold out right across Canada."



President

Jim Roife of North West Life Assurance was last week installed as new president of the Life Underwriters' Association of Victoria.

Seattle Trade Unharmed By Canada

SEATTLE (AP) — The president of the Alaska-British Columbia Transportation Co. says he does not think Canadian ports will cut seriously into the amount of cargo now routed through Seattle.

John Lee, whose line barges eastbound shipments to the Alaska railbelt through Prince Rupert, said the company has carried 6,926 tons of cargo in the past eight months. Of this, he said, 5,028 tons originated in the United States.

THROUGH SEATTLE

During the same period, Lee estimated more than 28,000 tons moved through Seattle for the Alaska railbelt.

The company serves as a contract carrier for freight provided by Canadian National Railways. The bulk of the Canadian-originated cargo has been lumber, Lee said.

The Car Corner

R-8 Attractive Package

By J. T. JONES

The Renault R-8 is quite a little hunk of car — powerful for its weight, good-handling and nicely finished. It's no match for the Dauphine in looks, but in every other way I can think of, it's an attractive package.

First off, it goes pretty well. The engine, still in the rear, now has just under 1,000 cc. displacement, and 48 horsepower. In a car weighing only 1,800 pounds, this gives ample performance. The engine is extremely smooth, and seems willing to turn at quite frantic rates, while keeping good low-speed torque.

The R-8 is really comfortable. The most noticeable feature is the plushy seating —

great, soft, buckets that you sink into about four inches.

The ride is smooth and well controlled, and the R-8 holds the road very solidly, even over rough surfaces. All this is a credit to its all-independent suspension.

Handling is almost deceptively good. The R-8 makes excellent time on bad roads without ever seeming to go fast.

There's a certain amount of oversteer because of the engine in the tail, but the car is quite forgiving. This isn't one of those cars that hangs on until the bitter limit and then vanishes backwards into the shrubbery all of a sudden.

Brakes are disc type on all four wheels, and this is the only car anywhere near its

price range that has this feature. Incidentally, Renault is using the old Westinghouse gambit to call attention to these disc brakes. Remember how buses used to have a little sign on the back, "Danger — Air Brakes"? Well, Renault carries a similar warning decal on the back window.

The funny thing about this is that disc brakes won't stop a car noticeably faster than drum brakes — they're just better able to take repeated hard use.

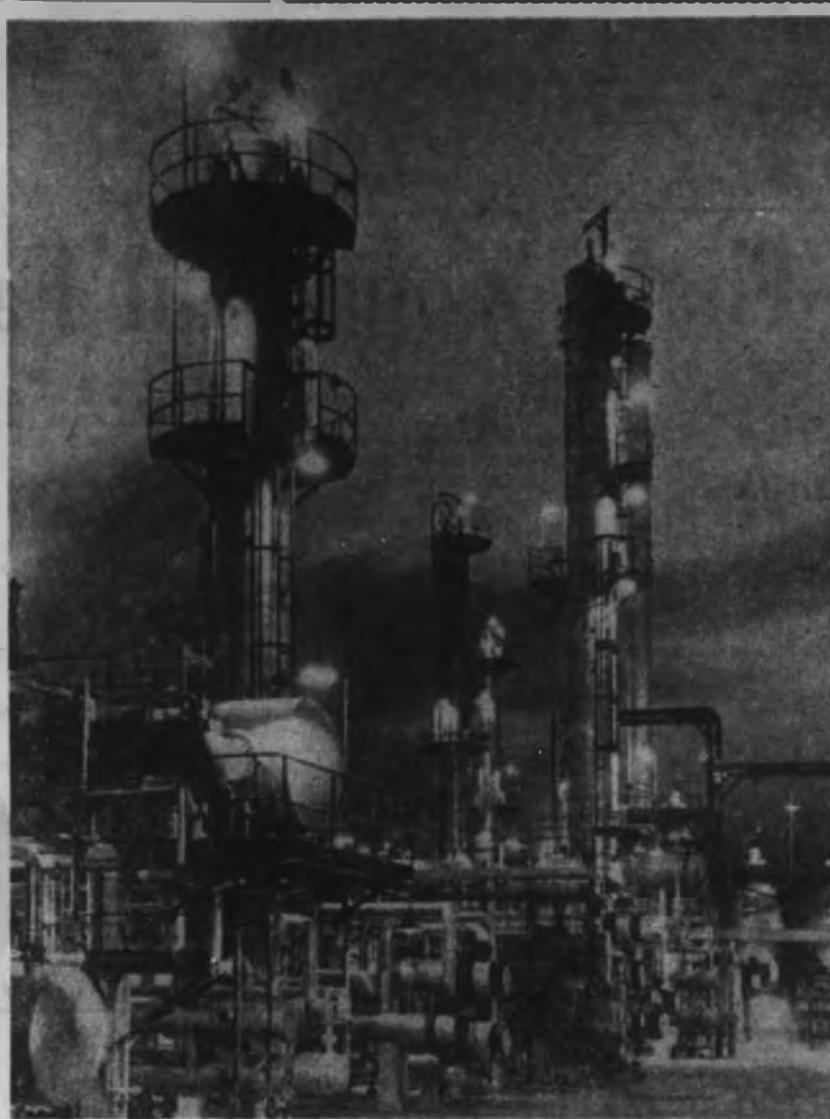
The R-8's transmission is a four-speed unit, quick-shifting and with good ratios. It lacks a synchronized bottom gear, though.

So, all told, the Renault R-8 seems to offer quite a lot for its

Troubled Freighter Sold for \$282,000

HALIFAX (UPI) — The Greek freighter Polyktor, arrested at Baie Comeau, Que., for defaulting on insurance payments, has been sold at auction for \$282,000 to a Panama shipping firm.

The auction was enlivened by a telegram of warning from U.S. Secretary of State Rusk that the sale was subject to U.S. restrictions.



Oil Industry on Threshold

Canada's petroleum industry in 1962 moved to threshold of significant advances in production and expansion. Go-ahead was given to extract oil from the rich Athabasca sands and

deposits were found in Arctic oil sands. Industry also continued expanding its network of refineries, such as this Shell Oil complex in Vancouver. — (CP)

No News Ill News

Strike Starves New Yorkers

By RALEIGH ALLSBROOK

NEW YORK (AP) — The biggest city in the United States has been without its daily newspapers for more than two weeks. How is it getting along?

New Yorkers buy what they can get. Out-of-town newspapers are available, but they're not filling the demand.

Commuters get digests at rail stations on the way home. Some weeklies such as Town and Village are publishing daily. Town and Village claims a daily press run of 250,000. The Brooklyn Daily, a tabloid long published in Coney Island, says it now is printing 350,000 against a pre-strike total of 50,000. Another Brooklyn paper, the revived Eagle, replacing one shut down in a strike in the Portage Mountain Dam and the lake behind it and avoid relocation of an Indian village and public utilities.

Estimates from Harvard, Yale and other colleges have appeared on downtown streets. Radio-TV networks have sponsored news sheets. A suburban high school even put out a communists edition with news from Tass, the Russian news agency.

Abbreviated stock lists are circulated around the city. So are lists of what is playing on the Broadway stage. Shows are not doing too well, but around Christmas is not the best time in any year. Department store

sales are down as a result of the lack of newspaper advertising.

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6:30- 6:45 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN
AUSTRALIA"
6:45- 7:00 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN ITALY"
7:05- 7:15 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN SPAIN"
7:30- 8:00 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN
SCANDINAVIA"
8:02- 8:30 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN
GERMANY"
Karin's Delicatessen
8:30- 9:00 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN
ENGLAND"
9:02- 9:15 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN FRANCE"
9:15- 9:30 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN
HOLLAND"
Minten's Bakery
9:30-10:00 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN NORTH
AMERICA"

SUNDAY

9:00-10:00 a.m. RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL
10:00-11:00 a.m. CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
CONCERT
11:00-12:00 noon CHRISTMAS FAVOURITE
HYMNS
2:00- 2:30 p.m. TRAVEL TIME—TRIP TO
HOLY LAND
2:30- 4:00 p.m. THE MESSIAH
Chaplins Funeral Home
4:00- 4:30 p.m. TELEPHONE HOUR
B.C. Telephone Co.
5:30- 6:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS WITH
MANTOVANI
6:30- 7:00 p.m. BROTHER SIDNEY McEWEN
7:30- 8:00 p.m. CHURCH SERVICE
8:00- 8:30 p.m. DICKENS' CHRISTMAS
CAROL
Bayliss Neon Sign Co.

MONDAY

6:30- 7:00 p.m. ROTARY BOYS' CHOIR
The T. Eaton Company Ltd.
8:30- 9:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS WITH
COWNDENS,
The Colonist Printers
9:00- 9:30 p.m. ARION CLUB CHOIR,
Pacific Chrysler Ltd.
9:30-10:00 p.m. MORMON TABERNACLE
CHOIR
11:00-12:00 midnight CHRISTMAS AROUND
THE WORLD,
Pacific Neon

TUESDAY

9:00- 9:30 a.m. JUBILEE NURSES' CHOIR,
Victoria Tire Limited
9:30-10:30 a.m. THE QUEEN BROADCAST
10:30-11:00 a.m. OLD SWEET SONGS OF
CHRISTMAS,
Hickman Tye Hardware
11:00-11:30 a.m. SCHOOL CHOIR FESTIVAL,
Industrial Automotive,
Steam Cleaning
11:30-12:00 noon FAMILY SONGFEST,
Western Music Co.
12:05-12:30 p.m. CIVIC DIGNITARIES
12:45- 1:00 p.m. THE STORY OF RUDOLPH,
Ryan Brothers
1:00- 1:30 p.m. ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL
CHOIR,
Hourigan's Carpets and
F. J. McGrath

1:30- 2:30 p.m. TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS
CAROLS,
Weston's Bakery
2:30- 3:00 p.m. RCAF CHRISTMAS SHOW
3:00- 3:30 p.m. JOY TO THE WORLD—
with Andre Kostelanetz and
Earl Wrightson,
Moore Whittington
3:30- 4:00 p.m. SING ALONG WITH MITCH
MILLER CHRISTMAS SHOW
Farmer Construction
4:00- 5:30 p.m. ROLLING HOME SHOW
5:30- 6:00 p.m. AL SMITH and FRIENDS,
Yarrows

6:15- 6:30 p.m. LAWRENCE WELK,
Featherstone Travel Agency
6:30- 7:00 p.m. ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL
CHOIR,
M. Griffin Ltd.
7:00- 7:30 p.m. CBC NEWS AND QUEEN
REPEAT BROADCAST
7:30- 8:30 p.m. TIMES CONCERT HOUR—
Christmas Edition,
Victoria Daily Times
8:30- 9:00 p.m. ROBERT SHAW CHORALE,
Island Tug and Barge Co.
11:00-12:00 midnight CHRISTMAS AT HOME

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YOUR FAMILY STATION



One Week to Warm Up

Resembling fierce warrior, Y. A. Little warms up passing arm as New York Giants go through cold-weather

practice prior to next Sunday's NFL final against Green Bay.—(AP Photofax.)

Schedule Cut in Half

Fog Knifes Into O.C. Soccer

LONDON (Reuters) — Fog in step as both drew their wiped out almost half the scheduled games in British soccer Saturday.

Eighteen league games were postponed—12 in England and six in Scotland—and eight abandoned after the fog closed in making play impossible.

The misty blanket which enveloped the country caused the biggest upset of the season in the league schedules.

Everton and Tottenham Hotspur, first and second in the English first division, remained

goal by inside-right John Quinn.

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VIEWS of SPORT

By Red Smith



Professional athletes are people who compete for money. Until recent times this made them members of the servant class in England; in the curious philosophy of Avery Brundage, the noblest badge of them all, it still makes them unmentionable; to other Americans, it is a mark of distinction.

"The club pro," they called Tommy Henrich when he played baseball for the Yankees, and it was a title of honor. "Amateurs" Jack Hurley, the fight manager, says of certain boxers, and in his mouth it is an epithet with low and foolish connotations.

Well, there are many things that could be said about the New York Titans if it were possible to get a word in edgewise on their owner, the estimable Mr. Harry Wismer. You could say they were not the greatest football team in human history, and be on fairly safe ground. You could suggest that promotion of the American League's Manhattan franchise had left something to be desired.

One thing that has to be said about the players on this star-crossed club: they are professionals, great with professional pride.

The Titans had lost four games and won two this year when they made the agonizing discovery that the chits earned by their blood and sweat were no longer redeemable in potatoes. Having no wish to collect and save autographs of famous radio personalities, they were in a quandary.

The problems met and talked it over. They agreed that the fiscal problems of the business office were and should be an affair of theirs. They had a job to do. They went out and did it.

League Carries Payroll

They played a big game against Dallas and lost by three points. Milt Woodward, assistant to the American League's commissioner, Joe Foss, came on to assure them that the league would see that their wages were paid. They went out and beat San Diego and Oakland.

They lost another to Dallas, they came on in the closing seconds to whip Denver by an implausible 46 to 45. Having won Denver's hopes for a divisional championship. Having won three out of four, they lost their last three in a row because they weren't, after all, a great football team.

They proved their point, though. They were pros and they played like it for pride's sake alone, when none of them was sure he'd ever have a valid pay cheque.

Professional football is enjoying the greatest boom any sport has experienced in our time. There never was any doubt here that the country could support two major leagues, nor was there any question about New York's having room for two teams. This year proved one of those points.

After two costly seasons, at least four of the eight AFL clubs, and maybe five, operated in the black this year. Business improved for six clubs, declined for two. New York fell off on merit. San Diego, which had been one of the good franchises, suffered a decline of 26 per cent after key players were injured and the team ceased to win. Even so, the Chargers' home attendance averaged just a fraction under 22,000.

Business Up in General

In other cities, gains ranged from 2 per cent to 135 per cent, although these figures are deceiving. The big improvement was in Denver, where there was no place to go but up. The smallest was in Houston, where the Oilers had done well from the start.

In spite of the drop in two cities, business throughout the league advanced by 21.6 per cent. For 56 games, the average crowd was 21,712, as compared with 17,861 last year.

Right now the stable, sturdy old National League has 14 teams. Stable? Sturdy? There are 45 American cities that have held franchises, and some were in and out so often that there must have been at least 100 franchise changes.

The National League is 42 years old, and until recently some clubs were pretty shaky financially. After three years and only one major franchise shift (Los Angeles to San Diego), the Americans are getting their cleats on the ground.

No possible, probable, shadow of doubt, in little while we'll have two prosperous major leagues getting along like honeymooners and winding up each season with the football equivalent of a world series.

It's a big country with lots of room. There are, of course, some owners too big to find room anywhere.

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United Blanks North Shore; Bright New Year Expected

By JIM TAYLOR

Victoria United, looking ready to make a real run for the Pacific Coast Soccer League championship in the new year, stopped North Shore, 3-0, yesterday at Royal Athletic Park in their last league game of 1962.

United's next date is here next Saturday against Wallace Pilseeners in the first round of

the fact that the club looks like it is finally beginning to come around.

A beautifully-timed first-half

header by Dave Stothard was the only goal they got until the final minute, but they banged in two by Chumby

Crabbe and Ash Waldal in the final minute, and were by far the better club.

Key to the lift in the United attack was Chumby Crabbe, switched to centre-forward from the wing. Purists may say that Geoff Hill and Mel Cooper are better centre-forwards, but when Crabbe plays there he makes United run, and unless they run they are dead.

Crabbe could have had four goals yesterday with a little better luck. With Waldal and Stothard playing solid games at inside, the United forward line took on more life than it has shown all year. It took standout goalkeeping by Al Galway to keep the score down.

Barry Sadler got his second shutout, and deserved it. Twice he made big saves on centre-forward Metro Gerele in United's

second half at a time when North Shore was pressing and might easily have taken control.

United is now one point behind first-place Canadians and one ahead of Firefighters, but has played two more games than either of them.

For North Shore and Ken Lind, it was a bleak holiday game.

Lind is a rookie winger, brought up from Royal Oak of the Mainland League only Friday. Yesterday, in his first PCSL game, he collided with United's Bill Hamilton, and broke his right leg.

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Fans Boo But Why?

Whatever became of Victoria United fans?

There were 700 fans at Royal Athletic Park yesterday, and if you judge by the boos and the talk under the stands, half of them were there to see United lose. It's been that way for several weeks, and it has United

last year when they had the staunchest supporters in the league, give or take Columbus. They played poor soccer sometimes, good soccer most of the time, and finished a solid third after being in contention all season.

Through it all, their every move was cheered, and fans rushed to join a booster club, United was in.

This time last year, United had played 11 league games, won five, lost two and drawn four. They were in second place, four points out. Today they have played 12, won seven, lost two and drawn three, and are only one point out of first place.

In other words, they are every bit the contender they were last year. But their fans have cooled off. There's a new game at Royal Athletic Park called "Let's Bait Wally Milligan." They boo every move he makes, and in the last three weeks every player on the club has been a target at one time or another.

ITEM: For weeks Milligan was under fire for not using Ash Waldal and Russ Ball, his two promising rookies. But in the last two games when Milligan replaced winger Jim Dougall with Ball in the late stages, he was roared.

Dougall is 32 and slow. Ball is 17 and blazing fast. He went in both times when United was struggling and badly needed a shot of hustle. Against Wallace Pilseeners, he scored the tying goal.

This is a bad move by Milligan?

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Long Scoring Play Gives South Victory

Quarterback Jerry Woolum completed an 80-yard touch-down pass to Willie Richardson over Miami of Ohio.

Colin Cowdry At 244 Not Out

ADELAIDE, Australia (Reuters)—English batsman Colin Cowdry hammered 244 not out to help the touring Marylebone Cricket Club reach 474 for 4 by the close on the first day of their match against South Australia here Saturday.

Cowdry, after surviving two wickets before he reached 100, played a magnificent innings, confirming recent indications he is back to his best form.

In the Tangerine Bowl game in Orlando, Fla., sophomore halfback Joe Lopasky scored four touch-downs to lead Uni-

versity of Houston to a 49-21 win over Miami of Ohio.

Combines Win

A combined Royal Roads-Victoria University team beat Oak Bay Wanders, 10-9 yesterday in an exhibition rugby game at Royal Roads.

Canadians Win

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver Canadians moved into sole possession of first place in Pacific Coast Soccer League standings here Saturday with a 20 victory over Royal City.

Inside-left Normie McLeod scored both goals for Canadians, the first at the 59-minute mark and the clincher in the dying seconds of play.

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NEW ALBERNI SPORTS CENTRE
... rises from ashes

Ready Next Month

Civic Sports Centre Rising at Alberni

By SOHAN RAM

ALBERNI — A spanking new \$325,000 combined curling and skating rink opens its doors here in January, marking the beginning of a new sports era for the 25,000 people of the Alberni Valley.

The new building literally rose from the ashes of a fire which destroyed the Alberni Valley Curling Club, after two previous tries at getting a civic sports centre for the area had failed.

Fire destroyed the rink last February during the annual men's bonspiel. Enthusiastic curlers and civic officials immediately got together and worked to make this third try good.

OPENING DAY

Approximately Jan. 13, the tentative opening date, sports fans will see just how good they have made it.

The new building will house six sheets of curling ice, separated by a concrete wall from a skating surface 175 x 88 feet. Seating capacity in the skating rink will be 800. There will be dressing rooms for hockey and skating showers, locker rooms and concession stand.

BABY-SITTERS

Bleachers will not be ready when the rink opens, but will be constructed in the near future. Plans even call for baby-sitting services for after-noon curling leagues.

On advice of the contractor, the surface beneath the ice will be left in gravel for two years to give it time to settle properly. After that there may be a concrete floor installed, enabling the skating rink to be used for box lacrosse in the summer.

THE FIGURES

Total cost of the new structure will be approximately \$325,000. This includes actual construction costs of \$237,000, an item of \$88,075 for the refrigeration unit and \$10,000 for an ice resurfacing machine.

The project has been financed through debentures of \$20,000,000, approved by ratepayers in a by-law, and the \$88,450 released from insurance on the Alberni Valley Curling Club.

It is estimated that the burden to taxpayers will be about a half mill a year for the 20 years the loan is in effect.

SEED DIRECTOR

Curling rink will be leased to the Alberni Valley Curling Club, and the arena will be operated by the Port Alberni Recreation Commission, which will employ a full-time recreational director. Operation of the enlarged concession stand will be leased out.

Officials are hopeful that there will be no operating deficit, but the centre is not considered a money-making venture at the moment. The city will carry any deficit that might occur.

START DELAYED

Although construction was delayed for more than a month when necessary materials and parts did not arrive on time, Alberni Valley residents are all ready with plans for new sports activities and curlers have been waiting since last February.

Accident Rate Declines

Hunting Safe Compared to Swimming

VANCOUVER (CP)—The information you get from a conservation with Ed Meade is that he is the safest time for a hunter in when he is hunting.

Meade, a secretary-manager of the Federation of Fish and Game Clubs of British Columbia and he says one of his main jobs is to promote hunter safety and counter the "hysteria" that sometimes follows reports of fatal hunting accidents.

His reply to inquiries about hunting accidents is that there is 10 times more chance of a man being injured in an automobile accident than in a hunting mishap, and that insurance companies rank hunting 17th on the list of dangerous sports—below football and swimming.

The B.C. Safety Council says two-thirds of all gun accidents happen in the home. The hunting accident rate is steadily decreasing so that it now is under three for every 10,000 hunters in B.C.

Statistics show that carelessness is the cause of the vast majority of hunting accidents. Meade says, adding they also show that the under-16 age hunting mishaps in B.C.

He's an advocate of "defensive hunting" which he says basically is using your head in the bush.

Some suggestions: Don't put yourself in a position where you can be shot, such as between the gun and a shooter; don't carry your kill in such a way that a hunter may sight cloth-

ing; be careful not to flash anything white, such as a headband, that may be mistaken for the tail of a deer.

"You wouldn't drive fast in a pale grey car at night, so why hunt in a brown windbreaker in the fall woods? Better to be seen than to be remembered."

The federation recommends that all hunters wear a hat or clothing of different colors, a color that contrasts with everything in the woods. At his urging, the recommendation was inserted in the B.C. game regulations.

The federation is also conducting eye tests throughout the province, sometimes with surprising results. Tests at one club showed seven of 37 mem-

OUTDOORS with Alec Merriman

Boxing Day is the traditional opening of the steelhead season on Vancouver Island, and current cold weather points well for a bright opening.

Some of the more enthusiastic anglers have already found the odd steelie in their favorite river holes. They have done the prospecting and proved the big sea-run rainbow have entered the rivers. But generally there has been too much rain and river freshets have made it all but impossible to fish the rivers from the banks. Cold weather, even snow, will make the rivers perfect for Christmas weekend.

On southern Vancouver Island the Cowichan is the most popular steelhead river and the spot where most trout begin in at the bar below the Silver highway bridge, where 20 anglers may stand shoulder to shoulder to cast into the rifle. It is readily accessible and a good spot to start, a better spot to observe how others fish, and there you will find the steelheader who is friendly and ready to impart advice and information.

But after leaving this spot the steelheaders have their own favorite runs and pools and many of them are well kept secrets, learned only after some intensive river exploring.

Just now there are steelhead throughout the full 25-mile length of the Cowichan and anywhere you can reach the banks is a likely spot to fish.

The Cowichan isn't the only steelheading stream. There are the Sooke, Tugwell Creek, Muir Creek, Kirby Creek, the San Juan, Harris, Kokash and Chemainus (usually for fishing in March) on the lower Island, and some smaller ones as well.

Nanaimo River is one of the best. The Englishman, Little Qualicum and Big Qualicum are productive and readily accessible and are heavily fished by Vancouverites.

Table, Puntledge, Oyster, Campbell and Qualicum are all good steelheading rivers, and perhaps the biggest steelhead on the Island come from the Salmon River in the Seward arm. The Gold and Heber are excellent for those who can get beyond the logging gates.

In the Alberni Valley there is fine steelheading on the Stump and Ash Rivers and in Chin and Coleman Creeks.

Caycuse, Nitinat and Gordon Rivers are favorites of Cowichan Lake fishermen.

Most steelheading is done with an eight to nine-foot rod and spinning reel. Silex and bait-casting reels are fine but not generally used by tyros. Twelve to 15-pound test nylon is the usual.

Fish eggs and worms are the cheapest lures, and, believe us, cost of lures is an important consideration because you lose plenty.

Spin 'n' Glos, Strawberry Spins, Len Thompson spoons, T-Spoons are among most popular lures. New on the market is the Scotty Go-Glow, a fluorescent red lure along the lines of the Strawberry Spin, but longer and specially designed for high or dirty water.

Ides is to keep your lure or bait as close to bobbing along the bottom as possible.

There are a variety of weight hookups, most popular of which are the ones which let the weight break loose, without losing the lure, when there is a hangup on bottom.

A one-inch piece of surgical rubber strung on the line, and pencil weights of varying lengths according to speed and depth of water fished stuck into the rubber, is as good a setup as any, if the water is fast or dirty. Pencil lead weight may be bought in coils.

For clear water we prefer three or four split weights clamped at one-inch intervals along the line. A paper clip attached to a swivel, 12 to 18 inches from the lure, and then with the ends pushed into a weight with a hole through it, makes a good releasing setup.

Others use thin wire, strung through the hole in the weight and then spread slightly to hold the weight while casting but release it in a hangup.

Generally the weight should be no more than 18 inches from the lure, which must be held as close to the bottom as possible.

Find a likely looking spot on a river. Approach it carefully, because the fish can see you. You should stalk the river banks, not blunder along them.

Cast your lure or bait upstream, well ahead of the spot you think a fish might be laying, let the weight hold on the bottom so that you can feel every bounce with the rod tip. A harder than usual bounce usually means that a steelie is sucking on your bait or you are hanging up on bottom. Let the rod tip take three sharp dips and then pull back and set the hook. You might have a steelie. More often you will have bottom and lose your weight.

It is a matter of taste whether you fish fast water or the slow runs. Often you can spot the steedies in the still pools, but if you do, remember that more stealth than usual is required. If you blunder upon them you not only spoil your own fishing but that of others who follow.

Most fish go to crack-down flakermen who find unskilled spots.

Merry Christmas. Happy New Year and Tight Lines!

Canadiens' Fans Staying at Home

Trying to beat Montreal Canadiens in Montreal Forum used to be like trying to shoot pool with a wet noodle. You could try it if you wanted, but you knew darn well you'd never make it.

But the good old days are gone for the Farnham Frenchmen. The rest of the National Hockey League has caught up with them, and howling fans who used to be worth a goal a game to the Habs are beginning to turn on their own team. Montreal fans are ac-

home in their last four games, and although they won their first three games of the schedule at the Forum, their season's record at home is six wins, six ties and four losses. For Montreal, that's down-right dismal.

LACKED FINISH

Last night they snatched the lead from the Chicago Black Hawks, and though the crowd was announced at 13,469, there were more empty seats than most press box observers could remember for years.

Tickets to Canadian home games have been at a premium since the Second World War, but in recent weeks scalpers around the Forum have been having trouble getting rid of tickets at cut-rate prices. Canadiens haven't won at

the Forum since 1958.

The 33-year-old Mims was a late-hour substitute for Gomez Brennan of the British West Indies. Brennan weighed in Saturday morning, but reported he didn't feel well because of a cold, and was replaced.

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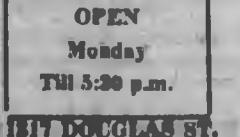
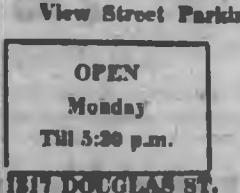
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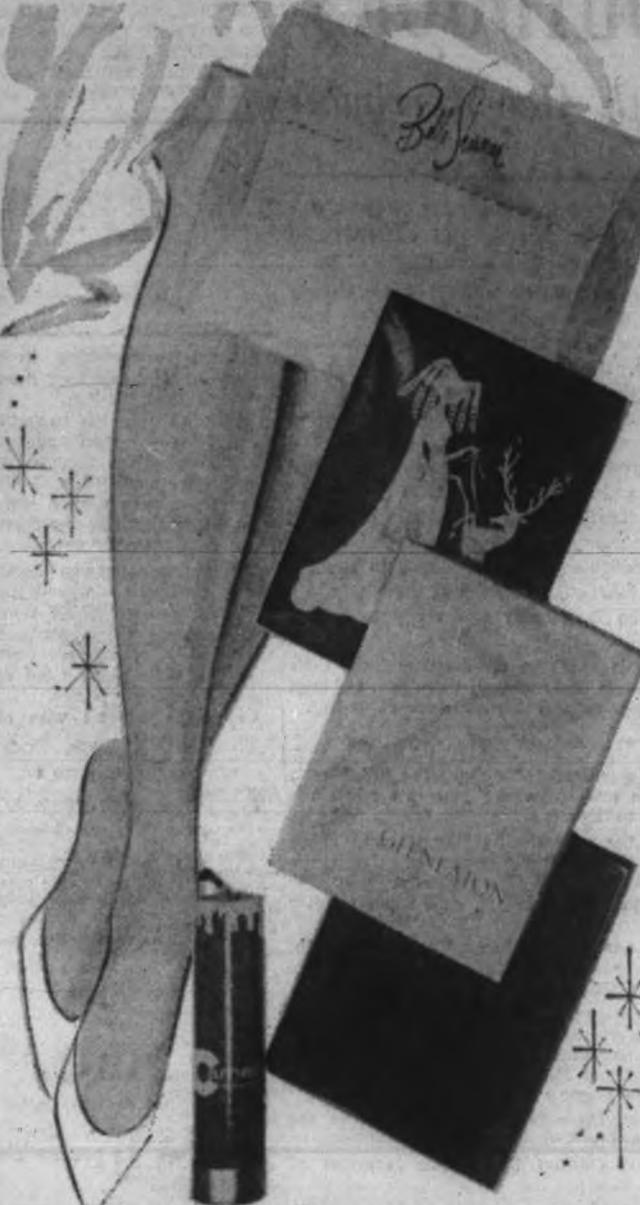
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DR. JOHN MACDONALD
... 'dynamite'

Varsity Fate in Secret Report

By HARRY YOUNG

A secret report, which could have profound repercussions in Victoria, is now being compiled by Dr. John Macdonald, new president of the University of British Columbia.

It is being prepared at the behest of the B.C. government to give the cabinet a lead on the higher education requirements of the province.

Some people think that Dr. Macdonald will recommend that junior colleges should be established at various points in the prov-

ince, and this will receive general acclamation.

There are others, including Judge Cleary, president of Victoria College Council, who think that the new president of UBC may not favor Victoria's aspirations to have a second, and independent, university.

This would be in contradiction of Dr. Macdonald's previous statements in which he declared himself in favor of developing competition in the sphere of higher education, and opposed the octopus-type university which UBC under its former president, Dr. N. A. MacKenzie, was seeking to become.

If this should happen to be the case, the new charter for establishing an independent university in Victoria

would probably not be accepted by the government. It might lead to a general revision, which at worst could doom the Gordon Head establishment to a subservient role to UBC for many years to come.

At best it might cause a further delay in the granting of the charter by which Victoria hopes to spread its wings and become one of the smaller but highly influen-

tial universities of the nation.

Judge Cleary's views are not shared by everyone, however. Among them is Mayor R. B. Wilson, who headed the drive that caused Victoria people and their friends in Canada to raise more than \$3,000,000 in a financial drive to turn Victoria College into a university.

"I am quite sure that Victoria will have its university, but we should not try to anticipate Dr. Macdonald's report," said the mayor.

However, there is a feeling among certain members of the Victoria College faculty that Judge Cleary is right, that Dr. Macdonald has indeed changed his mind about freeing Victoria from the UBC bonds, and that the report will more or less

doom any immediate hope of a second university in B.C.

Although no official confirmation is obtainable, the news is percolating through the city that when a vote of the Victoria University faculty was taken recently, 100 per cent favored independence from UBC.

The faculty having tasted a measure of success by carrying students in various faculties to the degree granting stage, is now anxious to spread its wings by introducing its own curriculum instead of being mere instruments in the handling of courses set by the ruling body on the mainland.

But naturally, as the faculty is still employed by UBC, the local professors are not willing to shoot out their necks publicly.

"Until we know what is in Dr. Macdonald's report it would be foolish for us to make any comment on the situation," said one professor. "But we certainly will state our views later if the occasion demands it."

The people of Victoria will also have something to say. There is no doubt that the fund-raising drive was a success simply because it promised a university for the city, and if that is to be denied there will not only be hard feeling, but perhaps some withdrawal of pledges.

The recent bequest of about \$2,000,000 to Victoria College by the late T. B. MacPherson certainly strengthens the hand of the local establishment, but it cannot do much unless it gets government backing for a new charter.

Nor can it do much about what is regarded as an attempt by the UBC faculty and senate to delay approval of the report of Dr. Macdonald until such time as it is too late for a University of Victoria bill to be presented at the forthcoming sitting of the legislature.

The one thing that is certain is that Dr. Macdonald is handling dynamite, and any attempt at this stage to thwart the Victoria College aspiration would touch it off.

Holidays

Travel Links Kept Busy, Not Jammed

Bus, ferry and plane facilities linking Vancouver Island to the mainland are coping efficiently with holiday crowds travelling to spend Christmas at home or elsewhere.

None of the transportation company workers spoke to last night reported facilities strained to capacity or serious inability to handle crowds.

Buses and planes were handling crowds believed in excess of last year's, but handling them without serious difficulty. Good flying weather helped Trans-Canada Air Lines move extra flights of holiday travel to and from the Island on schedule.

Ferry companies reported normally brisk holiday traffic.

Monty Aldous, head of the B.C. Toll Authority, reported no serious overloading on government ferries. Friday traffic, he said, was a little lighter than had been expected but yesterday was brisk.

The almost-hourly service on the ferries to handle holiday crowds had, in the first two days of its operation, been "pretty well on the nose" what was required.

But he said Boxing Day traffic was expected to be extra heavy. Pre-Christmas travel, he said, is in effect being spread over a four-day weekend while return traffic will likely concentrate on Boxing Day.

Destinations included abroad, eastern Canada, the U.S. west coast and the Prairies. The farther away the destination, of course, the earlier people tended to leave.

Flying Home

Servicemen stationed in Victoria and private school students here those flying home.

A Vancouver Island Coach Lines dispatcher said: "We never operate to capacity," always having more buses to put on. But traffic Friday and yesterday was "very, very heavy."

500 Total Helped

Blazing Scatter-Guns Put Turkeys on Table

Dozens of turkeys hit the dust — or hit the Christmas table — as scatter guns blazed away yesterday at the Victoria Gun Club's annual turkey shoot.

Perfect sunny weather drew larger crowds than usual to the trap-shooting event at the club's Albert Head grounds.

EQUAL CHANCE

Each squad of gunners, matched by handicap and skill, so all had an equal chance, broke targets for a turkey or ham.

Proceeds from the two-day shoot, which continues today

from 9 a.m. to dusk, will help meet the Gun Club's \$300 donation to The Daily Colonist's 500 Christmas Fund.

Club members took a chance on the weather, and made their donation before the fund closed Friday.

Marksmen attending the event yesterday and today also had chances to take part in

carnival games, and the club's popular "Lucky Circle" turkey cards.

LUCKY CARDS

Proceeds from the Lucky Circle cards also helped the fund which reached a total of \$13,388.03 when the books were closed Friday morning.

Each of the 500 Victoria and area families that most needed help this Christmas thus received a cheque for \$26.80.

Cheques were in the mail shortly afterwards, and post office officials promised every effort to have all delivered by Monday morning.

Lighting Winner

Winner in the completely-decorated-house category in the Jaycees Christmas lighting contest were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Potter, 2450 Mount. Mr. Potter, 73 and retired, died for first prize last year. Contest judging was completed and results announced last night. See Page 26. — (Robin Clarke.)

Christmas To Be Green

A green Christmas has been firmly predicted for Victoria, a spokesman for the weather office said last night.

The only possible chance for a snowfall—and it's a real long shot—is that a weather disturbance now centred in the Gulf of Alaska may move south in time for the big day.

So neat was the job of enter-

Snowy Greeting On Looted Safe

A Merry Christmas message was waiting for Saanich police when they found a 300-pound safe which had been stolen along with \$6,500 in cash from a Saanich supermarket yesterday Friday.

The safe crackers also stole a can of artificial snow from the supermarket.

Saanich detectives located the safe yesterday abandoned in bushes near Theta Lake.

Thieves wrote "Merry Christmas" across the safe using the artificial snow. But they took the \$6,500.

The safe at A-Hi-Low Market, 4142 Wilkinson, had to be pried out of concrete before it was carted away on a dolly.

So neat was the job of enter-

Rush Rush Rush

Downtown and suburban shopping was a crush and a rush yesterday as late, late buyers tried to cram their cars into bursting parking lots and throng themselves through the throng.

What Monday will bring is pretty well anybody's guess, but predictions downtown seem to indicate a moderate rush.

On Monday, all stores will close at 5:30 p.m., and government liquor stores at 6 p.m.

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Seen In Passing

Andy Stewart doing his last-minute Christmas shopping. (He is advertising manager for a paint company and lives with his wife, Margaret, at 1780 Ash Road. His hobbies are cruising and fishing) . . . Bill Smith congratulating Doug Anderson for winning a turkey . . . Phyllis Webb painting a kitchen . . . Al Sullivan wondering when he's going to get his Christmas shopping done . . . Naomi Mackay visiting friends for the Christmas holidays . . . Cyril Chapman not showing up for a rehearsal . . . Harold Ridgway and Pat Horne dropping in on some friends for a little drink . . . Fred McDonald talking with Miss Victoria.

ANDY STEWART

Firms Shut by E-N Prices

By JACK FRY

Two historic Sooke timber

companies say they are being forced out of business because they cannot meet the price demanded by the CPR for E-N land grant timber.

The CPR has forced the Pacific Logging Company which is logging its own timber, and shortly, David Manner will sell his Langford home and take some of his crew to Hope to log timber in the Fraser Canyon district.

Forced out of business last week was the Elder Timber Company, which was bought

by Moore-Whittington Lumber Co. Ltd. 12 years ago for \$1,500,000.

Twenty-five men were put out of work the week before Christmas. Some will move to new company operations on the mainland.

IMPOSSIBLE

"We haven't been able to negotiate further purchases of standing timber from the Pacific Logging Company-E & N land belt. Their terms were too strenuous for us," he said.

"They offered us timber, but their terms of payment were

impossible. They asked a high price, they wanted cash before it was logged and their crude estimates of timber quantity were so close we could not afford to gamble.

"There was a price tag of \$3 per 1,000 feet board measure for hemlock and \$16 f.b.m. for fir. There is also a provincial government severance tax of 25 per cent of stumpage value, which brought the cost to \$10 per 1,000 f.b.m. for hemlock and \$20 for fir."

FURTHER LOSS

If actual production was less than the volume anticipated in the timber cruise, there would be a further loss, said Mr. Moore.

"They don't want us there. I think they offered us timber realizing we would not be able to accept it. We were assured by the CPR all along we would be given timber, but they didn't disclose their terms until recently."

We were horribly disappointed. Moore-Whittington was dealing with the E & N land department for more than 20 years. This we've taken to heart, and we are very disappointed at their general attitude."

MORE AFFECTED

Besides the 25 men are out of work at the Muir Creek camp, another 15 hauling contractors, boom men, fallers and buckers, will lose work because of the closure. Jobs will be found elsewhere for old-timers and key personnel.

Moore-Whittington has two more camps on Vancouver Island which will not be affected by the shutdown at Sooke—the 60-man camp at Nitinat Lake and the 30-man C. W. Chin Whistler Logging Company at Parksville.

DOUBLE SHIFT

The few open will offer traditional turkey, ham or roast beef to their guests, preceded by French-Canadian green pea soup and the popular consomme "because of the sherry in it," he said.

Several small coffee shops will also be open with Christmas dinners at modest prices, he added.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Rotary Boys' Choir will present its annual Christmas concert in the main lounge of the Empress Hotel from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Christmas Eve.

The concert to be presented by the 52-boy choir is open to the public.

STAFF NOTEBOOK

A Merry Christmas — And Please Pay Up!

RENDER UNTO CAESAR:

Theta Lake resident Edward Harris went expectantly down to his roadside mailbox yesterday to pick up his Christmas mail. And there it was waiting for him—a tax assessment notice from the provincial government. Similar incident happened to him on the eve of the battle of El Alamein in 1942. Then a general, Viscount Montgomery had the latest mail flown up from base and distributed to advance units as a morale booster. Edward found only one letter—an income tax demand.

A SPADE IS A SPADE:

There's a refreshingly down-to-earth item in the pre-Christmas newsletter from Christ Church Cathedral, announcing a bottle drive and beginning . . . "Many good Anglicans will have empty bottles around the house after Christmas is over." And many non-Anglicans, too.

DOUBLE SHIFT

The combined operation turned out about \$8,000,000 last year, and the firm's two new

TRANSFORMATION: Isn't it amazing how in just a few months she has been patiently explaining to as many as seven callers a day that "This isn't the House of Gjørvi," and some of them call right back in the belief that they misdialed the first time. It seems the beauty salon held the number something like 18 months ago and it makes one wonder just how often some women get their hair done.

HARD WORK: It might just be coincidence but Bert Walters has gained six pounds since he stepped down from the post of president of Victoria Chamber of Commerce in September.

PEACE, GOODWILL, ETC.: We know it's the season for goodwill and burying the hatchet and so on but Mrs. Cliff Harrison of 3084 Albany was a little surprised the other day to have a small order parcel woman Monday to demand a new telephone number free of charge. For the past six advertising flier.



COURT CIRCULAR
BUCKINGHAM PALACE
Dec. 17

By command of The Queen, the Earl of Eldon (Lord-in-Waiting) was present at London Airport today upon the departure of the Viscount De L'Isle, V.C. (Governor-General) and Commander-in-Chief of the Commonwealth of Australia and bids farewell to His Excellency on behalf of Her Majesty.

The Lady Rose Baring has succeeded the Lady Margaret Hay as Lady-in-Waiting to The Queen.

KENSINGTON PALACE, Dec. 17

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and The Earl of Snowdon, were present this evening at the Christmas Dance of the English Folk Dance and Song Society, of which Her Royal Highness is President, at Cecil Sharp House, Regent's Park Road.

Miss Flora Myddleton and Major Michael Mitchell were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE, Dec. 17

Princess Marina, Duchess of Kent, Patron of the National Association for Mental Health, this morning visited the Junior Training School and the Adult Training Centre, administered by the Middlesex County Council, at Isleworth. Lady Balfour was in attendance.



His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. George R. Pearkes will celebrate Christmas Day and the holiday season like many other families throughout British Columbia—with their children and grandchildren around them. Mr. John Pearkes

(right) and his wife (left) came from their home in Vancouver to spend the festive season at Government House. Mrs. Pearkes holds grandson Anthony on her knee. Timothy is held by his father.—(Peter Chapman.)

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Johannes Toppers arrived this week from Amsterdam, Holland, to spend the Christmas season with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Davidson, 383 Anson. She was met at Victoria International Airport by the Davidsens and their three children, Colin, Andy and Barry. Mrs. Toppers will remain in Canada for six months.

Returns from Stay Abroad

Miss Anne Wurtle, daughter of Reeve and Mrs. A. C. Wurtle, has returned to Victoria following a 16-month stay in Europe. The last month, Miss Wurtle spent visiting friends and relatives in Eastern Canada.

Glenlyon Old Boys' Dance

The Old Boys of Glenlyon School will be holding their 10th annual dance at the Crystal Garden on Boxing Day. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Ian Simpson, Mr. Hamish Simpson and Mr. Tom Masters, president of the Old Boys' Association, will be receiving guests.

Couple Honored at Coffee Party

Miss Lynette Walton and Mr. David Allan, who were married last night, were guests of honor at a coffee party held in the Cumberland Road home of the bride-elect. Mrs. Leslie Walton, Godmother was Mr. Allan's mother, Mrs. James Allan. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Geoff Vantreight, Mr. and Mrs. James Lusse, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andrews, Mrs. Nora Dunstan, Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith, Miss Gail Warshawski, Mr. Larry Williams, Miss Trova Lewis, Mr. John Smith, Miss Loranne Bell and Mr. and Mrs. E. Bitterman.

Miss Gwen Cowley, fiction editor of the Star Weekly and president of the Toronto Women's Press Club, arrived Friday to spend Christmas week with her cousin Lt.-Col. Frank Cowley and Mrs. Cowley at their Dorset Road home.

Visitor from Winnipeg

Mr. Nevill Smith of Winnipeg has arrived in Victoria to spend the winter months with his son and daughter-in-law, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. R. N. Smith at their McNell Avenue home.

Christmas Parties

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver M. Prentre are giving three Christmas parties this year, the first today, again on Saturday and Monday at their Houlahan Road home.

House-Warming Party

Mr. and Mrs. T. Gervase Chambers have moved from Lagoon Road to their new home at 3838 Aloha Avenue, Esquimalt Lagoon. They are having a house warming in the form of an open house for their friends on Christmas Eve.

To Spend Christmas at Empress

Dr. and Mrs. W. Y. MacKenzie of Vancouver are planning to spend Christmas in Victoria with their nieces and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Callan, 2771 Burdick Avenue. Dr. and Mrs. MacKenzie are staying at the Empress Hotel and with Mr. and Mrs. Callan will attend Christmas eve and day festivities at the hotel.

Fulford For Yule

FULFORD—Mr. and Mrs. B. Radtke of Haney, B.C. with their daughter Susanne, and son Craig, are arriving in Fulford this week to visit their family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith. Also

guests of the Smiths will be Mr.

and Mrs. J. Lawson, with son Harold, of Courtenay, B.C. who

all join in the family reunion

for the festive season.

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Little Prince Andrew of Britain

squats anxiously on the train platform in London yesterday awaiting

the arrival of his aunt, Princess Margaret, and her husband, the Earl of

Snowdon, prior to departure for

Christmas holiday at Sandringham.

Queen Elizabeth II and her sons,

Altrusa Club Donates Gifts

The Victoria Altrusa Club Christmas dinner and party at Holyrood House. This is an annual project of Victoria Altrusa and the ladies were welcomed by Miss Marion Buntingbroke, president of the club.

The tablet was prettily decorated with favors and bonbons. After a delicious dinner, Santa arrived with great fanfare and presented each lady with a gift.

During the evening Christmas music was enjoyed, carols sung and pictures shown.

This Christmas season the club has donated gifts to the School for Retarded Children, the Food Stall, and money for clothing to a children's school in India. Three boxes were packed for shut-ins and gifts and money given to Missionaries, the club's adopted child in Sevres, France.

The club is also helping a college student pay for the coming term to enable him to finish his year.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were married in Madras where they lived until retirement in 1945 when they came to Victoria.

Hats Stun Jury

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver court house, its judges, lawyers andlookers-on, have seldom seen hats like those of Mary Patmore.

Wednesday it was a shirred beaver pillow. Thursday she switched to white fur.

And last Monday, Mrs. Patmore carried a 2½-foot Christmas tree, hung with presents.

She is one of a jury of 12—the other 11 are men—bearing evidence in a fraud trial, going now for 24 days, and adjourned Friday until Jan. 2.

Her associates love her. She's blonde and cute.

Wednesday afternoon they gave her a silver dish. For them she had gifts from her Nutcracker tree.

Garbage Misses Woman

COLOMBO, Ceylon (AP)—Garbage was thrown at Ceylon's woman premier, Mrs. Sirimavo Bandaranaike, as she went to open a suburban hospital Friday. It missed her but smeared a policeman. A unexpurgated version of "Lady Chatterly's Lover."

Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Taylor, 5135 Lochside Drive, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Dec. 16, when they were at home to their many friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were married in Madras where they lived until retirement in 1945 when they came to Victoria.

Strong Motive

LONDON, Dec. 21 (UPI)—The National Book League, to back its claims that backward readers must have a strong motive for improving, said today a British soldier learned to read so he could peruse an unexpurgated version of "Lady Chatterly's Lover."



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And Husbands Perfect

Frenchwomen Cleverest Says U.S. Actress

By NORA MARTIN

PARIS (TNS)—Much travelled film actress Olivia de Havilland believes that "French women are the cleverest in the world."

"It's a matter of manners," Miss de Havilland stated the other day. "A French woman is discreet and subtle with men instead of being outrightly frank and honest like her American sister. Frenchmen, on the other hand, make marvellous husbands."

Miss de Havilland is talking out of personal experience. As Madame Pierre Galante, she has been married to a French writer for seven years now. She looks and is beautifully happy.

BOUDOIR TALK

In her elegant Paris home, we sat in her boudoir talking about marriage in general and French and North American men in particular. On bookshelves along one wall, the actress' two "Oscars," two Film Critic awards and numerous diplomas were displayed. On her desk with the manuscript of "Lady in a Cage," the film will start making in Hollywood in January.

"There is quite a basic difference between American and French husbands," Miss de Havilland mused. "Love preoccupies American men while it occupies the French. The reason may be the semi-puritan approach many Americans have to love, thinking that basically it is sinful. Frenchmen on the contrary believe that love is Godsent and wonderful."

MAN'S FAULT

Miss de Havilland said that in her opinion it is almost always the fault of the husband if a woman thinks she is frigid and her marriage fails.

"An art is involved in marriage, the most delicate imaginable art."

"It's the husband who determines the wife's response. And if American men don't know that, somebody ought to tell them."

"In general, manners are terribly important in marriage, more important than at a dinner party," the actress continued.

Miss de Havilland explained to me that in her opinion a wife has a real "job" in relation to the man she is married to. It is her "job" that he is given to eat what he likes, that his clothes are kept in perfect order and that he finds a wife pleasant to come home to.

CHILDREN FEED

"It is a very interesting job," she went on, "and it also involves the children. Up to the age of 10, children should be fed in the evening and bathed before papa comes home. The father gives them the King's kiss and thus there are no problems at the dinner table of

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children's feeding.



Trimming the tree finds willing hands at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Cameron at 3015 Valdez Place. Donnell, left, standing on stool carefully places his bauble while Laura

and Brian also give thought to their contributions. Young Ian in his mother's arms knows something big is going to happen and looks pleased with the whole idea.



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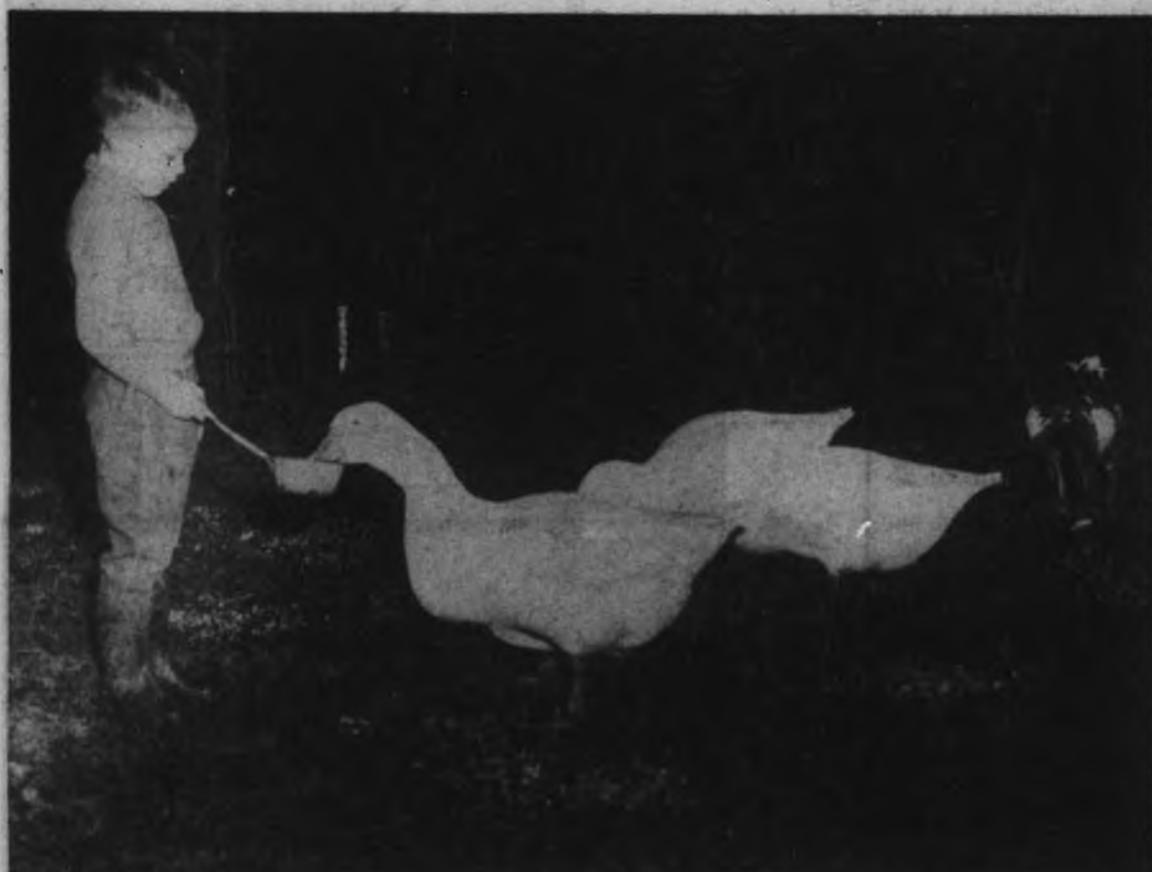
The home of Prof. and Mrs. G. McCaughey at Royal Roads is bound to be lively on Christmas morning as Regan, eight years, Sean, 4½, seated on floor, with Kit, 2½, and older brother, Liam, aged 11, discover what Santa has brought them. The

children are pictured with their mother and are looking at the Advent cards sent from Dr. and Mrs. Harry Smith, formerly of Victoria, now living in France.

Ready for Christmas

Arranged by Dorothy Wrotnowski
Social Editor

Colonist photos by Bud Kinsman



Young Robbie Duffus is not acting the part of a goose boy—he is following a European custom of giving animals and birds an extra treat for Christmas. Right after this picture was taken the ungrateful gander gave Robbie a sharp nip on his hand. Robbie is the son of Dr. and Mrs. John Duffus, 139 Atkins Road.



Five-year old Wendy and brother, Bobby, aged nine, the children of Mr. and Mrs. R. Allan Husband, 1044 Joan Crescent, are just

about to start on their new glittering tree. It is safe to say that carol singing is part of the Christmas program in this home.



Wrapping Christmas gifts is all part of the fun for Ann, left, Dennis and Brian Burchill who are pictured at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Burchill, 135 Atkins Road. This particular

parcel they will take with them to the Mainland where they will spend the holiday with their grandparents.



Your Problems

By Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: You usually give good advice but I am annoyed at something you keep saying in your column. I decided if I saw it again I would write to you. Well, I saw it again yesterday so I am writing.

It was that letter about the husband who always leaned on the walls and made grime spots all over the house. You said, "Be thankful he's at home, and not out leaning on some blonde."

Why must it always be a blonde? Who ever invented the idea that blondes are sexier, or easier, or bigger trouble-makers than other women?

I had a perfectly grand marriage, or at least I thought I did until two years ago when I caught my husband in his own office, behind the file cabinet, with a stenographer. And her hair was jet black. Like yours, Kiddo.—FOR THE RECORD.

Dear For The Record: Touché! And now if we can somehow dispense of the idea that Gentlemen Prefer Blondes you girls with the flaxen tresses would be less vulnerable to the verbal harpoons.

Dear Ann: Can it be that some people are incapable of falling madly in love? Believe me, I've tried, but somehow I can't seem to make the grade.

I am a bachelor, 21, well-educated in business and want very much to have a home and family.

Whenever I meet a girl I think I can fall in love with, I start picking her to pieces, and the romance fails apart.

I've made up my mind I'm going to marry before my next birthday. The girl I have my eyes on is sensible, intelligent, loves children and will make a good wife and mother. I've told her I am not goofy in love, and she says, it's all right with her because she is giddy in love enough for both of us.

Could this be a good marriage? Am I being fair to her? Please answer in the paper, omitting initials, city, etc. If my friends knew I wrote this letter I'd take the gags off. —MR. ANONYMOUS.

'Y' President Says...

Losing Educated Women In U.S.A. to Marriage

By GAY PAULEY (UPI Women's Editor)

NEW YORK (UPI)—Travel the world for a women's organization and you find that the activities and interests of the feminine sex are as varied as the countries from which they come.

But in almost all nations you also find a steady increase in their participation in community and government projects, reports Isabel Catto, president of the World Young Women's Christian Association.

"I noticed it especially in the West African countries," said Miss Catto, who has headed the world organization since 1953.

"I must say, though, that here in the United States you're losing a lot of your educated women to marriage," she said, in an interview.

"I'm not against marriage, mind you," she added with a smile, "but why should it mean a woman shuts herself off from leadership..."

"The same, unfortunately, is true in Great Britain," she added. Miss Catto, whose headquarters is in Geneva, lived in London for 25 years and is former president of the London division of the YWCA.

Party Meeting In January

OTTAWA (CP)—Between 600 and 700 women are expected to attend next month's general meeting of the Progressive Conservative party, a party headquarters official said Friday.

They will hold their own general meeting as well as attend the meetings of the national party organization. The official said it will mark a new peak in women's activity in the party.

The women's group, holding its meeting Jan. 17, the first of the three days of Conservative meetings, will draw delegates from every one of Canada's 263 electoral districts.

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A double ring ceremony took place last night in St. John's Anglican Church when Lynette Dorothy Walton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Walton, exchanged vows with Mr. David Allan, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Allan, all of Victoria. Rev. Canon George Biddle officiated.

POINSETTIAS

Red poinsettias decorated the reception room at Holyrood House and the bride's mother baked the wedding cake.

Leaving on a honeymoon to the west coast of the United States, the bride changed to a two-piece, cream-colored wool suit with large-brimmed, chocolate brown velvet hat and brown accessories. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Allan will make their home in Victoria.

FRENCH LACE

The bride chose an elegant

floor-length gown of pure silk

peau de soie fashioned with a

baque bodice and lily-point

sleeves. The jewel necklace was

edged with imported lace. A

softly pleated skirt topped with

French lace fell from the tiny

wrist and swept to a train. A

softly pleated bell skirt. White and

red whimbles were worn and

bouquets were of white chrysanthemums.

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In honor of Miss Joan Winterburn, January bride-elect, a miscellaneous shower was held recently by Mrs. M. Martin at the home of Mrs. E. Neil. A basket, gaily decorated with a Christmas motif, held the gifts. Christmas corsages were also presented. Guests included Mrs. M. Win-

terburn, Mrs. P. Garrington, Mrs. E. Neil, Mrs. M. Gregson, Mrs. M. Crowe, Mrs. N. Webster, Mrs. T. Cambrey, Mrs. I. Hops, Mrs. F. Wilkinson, Mrs. J. Webb, Mrs. D. Clark, Mrs. M. Kendall, Mrs. D. Woodford, Mrs. C. Kendall, Mrs. A. Pistell, Mrs. H. Smart, Mrs. M. Thompson, Mrs. N. Hunter, Mrs. L. Banks, Mrs. J. Robinson, and the Misses S. Clark and Darlene Praud.

Mrs. Dorothy Cuthbert, leader of the Eastern Star choir, invited the choir members to her home on Beach Drive for their Christmas party December 14.

During the afternoon the group sang carols and refreshments were served with Mrs. A. Kennedy and Mrs. M. McCalman presiding.

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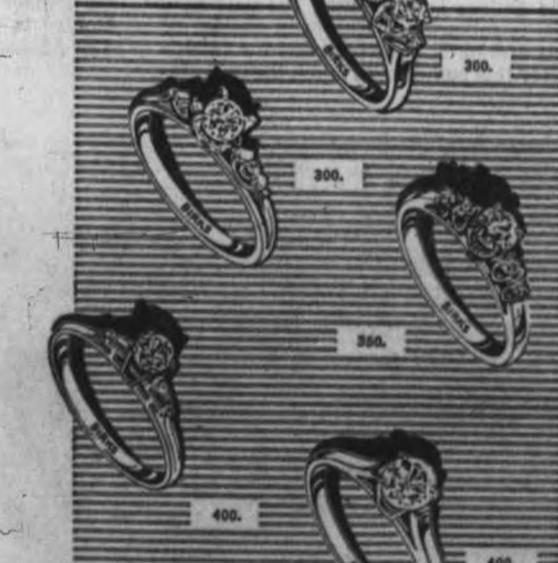
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Mr. and Mrs. James M. Olstead, 1164 Roslyn Road, who have been married 50 years, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Boxing Day, Dec. 26, and will be at home to their friends from 2 to 3 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Olstead were married in Oak River, Man., and came to the coast in 1939. They have two daughters, Mrs. G. Birnie, Man., and Mrs. W. Fearn, in Ladner. Their son Stanley lives in Victoria. They also have seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Miss Vivian Durden, who was the bridesmaid for Mrs. Olstead, is here from Winnipeg for the celebration, and the best man, Mr. G. Mackie, will also be there.



Mr. and Mrs. F. Robe, 1750 Oak Shade Lane, will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Christmas Eve. Mr. and Mrs. Robe were married in South Wales in 1912 and came to Canada in 1920. There are five children, all living in Victoria. Mrs. A. Snaide (Margaret), Mrs. A. M. Chandler (Florence), Mrs. R. Drenfield (Nancy), Lewis and Graham Robe. Last evening the family gathered at the McNeill Avenue home of Lt.-Cmdr. and Mrs. Chandler before going to the Princess Mary for a family dinner. Christmas Eve the family will gather at the home of their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Robe have 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Tragedy Hits Two Brothers

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Wieslaw and Zbigniew Skowronski fought together in the 1944 Warsaw uprising against the Nazis.

When the Germans quelled the revolt, they were separated and Wieslaw was captured.

Zbigniew remained in Poland. His brother was shipped by the Nazis to Germany. Wieslaw later found his way to England and finally emigrated to Canada where he settled in Montreal with his wife and daughter.

For 18 years the brothers planned a reunion. Wieslaw decided he would make it back to Warsaw this Christmas.

Wednesday, as Zbigniew waited at the airport, his brother's Polish Air Line flight from Brussels and East Berlin approached for a landing. Zbigniew saw a glow at the end of the runway. Wieslaw's plane had crashed. He was killed.

Today Zbigniew sat in an airport ante room, clutching a photograph of his brother, waiting to see if he will be able to claim the body.

"We had planned this Christmas reunion so long I cannot believe he is gone," Zbigniew said.

His brother's wife, Mrs. C. Lee, who travelled to Melbourne, Australia, on board the Canberra last month, is enjoying the warm climate of 110 degrees, report members of the Lee family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee and baby Gordon are arriving this week from Dawson Creek to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. Lee and family. Mr. Pat Lee of Vancouver is expected home this week, and will be the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lee. Mrs. Lee's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. Douglas, were guests of the Lee family last weekend.

AMY By Harry Mace



Dies at Age 107

MUNCIE, Ind. (AP) — Mrs. Mary Weatherup, who was born into slavery prior to the Civil War, died here Friday at the age of 107. Mrs. Weatherup had worked as a laundress up until her 100th birthday anniversary. Her eyesight and hearing remained unimpaired all her life.

FEW TIPS

To make a really tip-top stuffing, you might want to remember these few tips. Stuff turkey just before roasting but lightly, please. Your best measurement is about one cup of stuffing per pound of turkey. Roast turkey according to directions on wrap, being sure the bird is placed breast up on a rack in a shallow pan. For best browning, cover top with foil until 30 minutes before end of cooking time. Then remove foil.

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Apricot brandy is used to flavor the mixed candied fruit and tender cooked rice, though canned apricot nectar or pineapple juice could be used in place of the brandy. The fruit and rice blend absorbs all of the flavoring liquid if allowed to stand for about 30 minutes at room temperature.

The remainder of the filling is a snap to prepare—vanilla pudding made from a mix and a tablespoon or two of finely chopped candied ginger. Prepare the filling early—even a day before the party—to allow the filling to chill thoroughly. Then spoon it into the pre-baked cases just before serving. Dust the little puffs with a bit of sifted confectioners' sugar if you like snowy toppings on your holiday goodies.

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Filling: One and one-half cups cooked rice, 1 cup mixed candied fruit, 1/4 cup apricot brandy, 1 package vanilla pudding mix, 2 cups milk, 2 tablespoons finely chopped candied ginger, optional, 1/4 cup water, 1/4 cup butter, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 cup sifted all purpose flour, 2 eggs.

water, butter and salt in heavy

saucepan over moderate heat; when boiling briskly, add flour all at once, stirring vigorously 10 to 12 minutes longer. Cool on cake racks.

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Bishop Attacks Winter Sports

VIENNA (TNS)—The ever-increasing popularity of winter sports holidays in the Austrian Alps has now led the bishop of Innsbruck, Dr. Paul Rusch, to lodge a complaint about the "immorality of certain city girls hungry for romance" who come to the Austrian Alps chiefly to pursue the handsome skiing instructors.

At a clergymen's conference, Dr. Rusch said that the skiing season was being turned into "a permanent carnival" by tourists who were more interested in necking than skiing.

The girls, he said, wore "distracting and provoking clothes," and their chief interest in skiing was the men who taught it.

Question and Answer

Paint Won't Stick To Concrete Steps

I have a problem with concrete steps leading to the front porch. Red coloring was mixed in the concrete and it wears off, tracking red coloring on the porch and the rugs. I cannot get paint to adhere to the concrete. What will I do? —A.M.

A. The problem may be that the concrete was mixed with too little cement in the sand and aggregate. A liquid cement hardener, available at dealers in masonry supplies, may correct the condition. Be

sure first to remove any remaining paint or flaking concrete with a floor sanding machine. If a considerable amount of ground moisture gets into the concrete, it may not be possible to keep any paint on the steps. A one-inch topping of colored concrete would be the best solution in this case and only a lime-proof color should be used for this work.

Another solution would be a coating of the new epoxy-type surface for concrete.

Q. How can chrome table and chair legs on a breakfast set be refinshed? The chrome finish has worn off in several places and has begun to rust. —L.T.P.

A. The method I am going to suggest will not give you a chrome finish, but it will be an attractive finish and it is a job easy to do. First, clean off all rust spots with steel wool and turpentine.

Then apply a prime coat made especially for metal. Then you are ready for the finish coat which can be applied with an aerosol spray can. This is a special paint for metal, available in several colors.

Q. Do you know what would take scratches out of window panes? —Mrs. L. S.

A. No. I don't think there is any possible way of removing a scratch from glass.

Q. How can I remove ink stains from plastic? —Mrs. J.B.

A. Rubbing alcohol has been very successful in removing ink from plastics. Be sure to rinse the plastic well after you finish removing the stain.

With the Boy Scouts

Boy Scout and Cub proficiency badges awarded last week:

Second eye: Douglas Jones, Bill Grawley, Jim Grawley, Charlie Williams, Alan Kitchener, Paul Rose, Teamplayer: Mark Allman, Danny Beveridge, Randy Beveridge, John Collier, Peter Collier, John Collier, Dennis Zachary, Ian Taylor, Ironworker: John Clark, Gerry Vayholtz, Peter Rayburn, and Peter Rayburn, Eric L. Smith.

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Urge to Push On Should Be Resisted

By ERNEST BARTLETT

There's something about an island for a holiday! My travels have taken me to a few... to Canada's own Prince Edward Island; to the new nations of Jamaica and of Trinidad and Tobago; to Barbados and the Bahamas and to Bermuda; to the British Isles and to Ireland; to Aruba in the Netherlands West Indies and to Martinique under the French flag; to Malta in the Mediterranean and to Hawaii in the Pacific.

For those who want to "collect" as many islands as they can during a holiday, island "hopping" has become fashionable.

TAKE TIME

On one of my island-hopping excursions I took in Puerto Rico (there's one I almost forgot), Curacao, Aruba, Trinidad, Tobago, Martinique, Barbados, Antigua, Jamaica and Bahamas.

I knew I would forget some islands. Such as Sicily in the Mediterranean (its resort town of Taormina is a delight), and the Scillies in the English Channel, and the Canary Islands.

And, of course, our very own Vancouver Island.

(Telegram News Service)

only Nassau, where I always stay at home. I wish I knew the Out Islands, because friends give me enthusiastic reports about them.

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Started in late summer, the addition is being built by Farmer Construction Company. Architect is John A. Di Castro.

Grade Seven students will be enrolled in the school beginning in September.

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The depth of 6,297 fathoms recorded was a "corrected sounding," which means it was checked several times for accuracy.

The soundings revealed the existence of a trough one-and-a-half to four miles wide and 15 miles long in a north-east direction.

Penny Drive Raises \$67.15

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Garden Notes

Daily Colonist, Victoria 19
Sunday, Dec. 23, 1962

Web of Evidence

By M. V. CHERNUT, FRHS

BUGGY CYPRESS (W.G., Brentwood)—I couldn't find any living pests on the dead and brown twigs from the lower part of your Elwood's cypress. The microscope, however, revealed a very fine web, which is pretty conclusive evidence the shrub had been infested with red spider mites sometime in the past.

I suggest you cut off the affected portions, but trim no further back than necessary. Spray in May and again in June with malathion or Asamite, and make a practice of washing down the foliage of all your evergreens with a forcible jet of water every time you have the hose out.

BEAR'S BREATH (M. L. J., Victoria)—Your plant of *Acanthus mollis* or Bear's Breath should survive the winter without any kind of protection, even though your garden is low-lying and something of a frost pocket. What you must do, though, is to make absolutely sure the plant is in a well-drained spot where no puddles will stand over the roots during the winter rains.

Acanthus can take quite a bit of dry frost, but perishes miserably in overly damp locations, and the ideal situation would be in a bed raised a few inches above the surrounding terrain. Some coarse, scratchy cinders over the roots will help protect the emerging shoots from the onslaught of slugs.

HOLLYWOOD (NANA)—In Lawrence of Arabia like Egyptian actor Omar Sharif almost as much as I did Peter O'Toole. Omar gives a most impassioned performance. Peter is new, exciting and refreshing. What a strange mixture of courage and bragging in the character of Lawrence. Alec Guiness as Prince Feisal seemed more believable than the real thing. And I only realized it was Jack Hawkins portraying General Allenby when I read the program after seeing the movie.

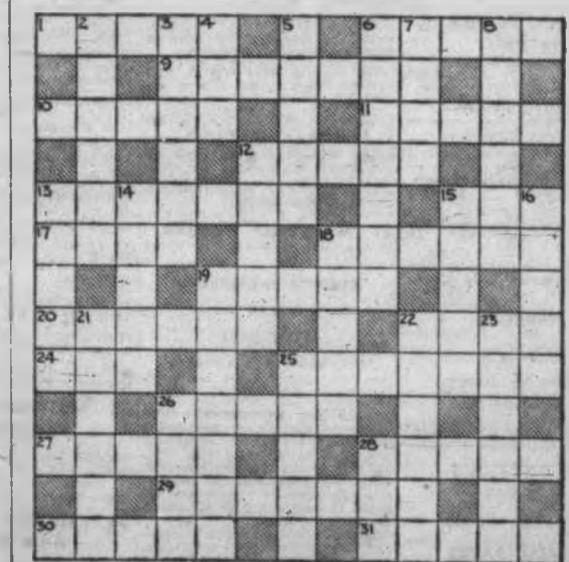
Robert Taylor is not against the prevailing fashion of making films wherever the locale is most suitable. There is a reason for making films all over the world today, and for the most part it's true that they can be made more cheaply in Europe. I don't resent this. I wish a lot more were being made here, for everybody's sake and perhaps there will be more in 1963.

Paging Loretta Young: When sister Georgiana, Mrs. Ricardo Montalban, had to go in and out of a doorway during her scene in The Grand Duke and Mr. Pimm, she could not turn the doorknob, and there she was, stuck. Ricardo uttered, "no one will believe that this girl is Loretta's sister."

Edie Adams explains why she continues to make movies, rather than accept any of the several offers for Broadway. Edie could have had Little Me, which is a smash hit. Instead, who prefers movie comedies of the style of It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World and Call Me Bwana, stating "I can't afford Broadway. This isn't the time that I can afford to take chances."

Orson Welles surprised everyone, especially the money boys, by making The Trial under the budget and on schedule.

CRYPT-A- CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

1. A painful drink (Double clue)
2. There can be trouble over such bills
3. One drink after another
4. Recently stolen from the oven (Double clue)
5. As pale as a bird (Split word)
6. An expression of vexation when the dogs vanished (Split word)
7. Shortly
8. A racing man
9. He's more than eager (Split word)
10. Possibly traps a fish (Anagram)
11. On your way out
12. Condescend
13. Tends fires
14. The passenger has got Japanese money (Hidden word)
15. The smell coming from a door, maybe (Anagram)
16. Don't leave anything to chance
17. Land in the south
18. Darted around and did business (Anagram)
19. Care to arrange a contest? (Anagram)
20. He gets less than half (Hidden word)
21. Gets rid of any illusions about
22. Attack in a grave fashion (Anagram)
23. Upset Vera in the gully (Anagram)
24. The heart of things
25. The running way in which two letters are repeated (Split word)
26. The essential part of a register (Hidden word)
27. Uncle Tom's place
28. Engages in a joint
29. Red —?
30. Money for a cent, perhaps (Anagram)
31. Explosive, never without fruit (Split word)

CLUES DOWN

1. The amni coming from a door, maybe (Anagram)
2. Two boys to describe a great family (Split word)
3. Ray Robinson?
4. Perpetual refusal
5. Black ball in pool
6. Gets rid of any illusions about
7. Shorty
8. He's more than eager (Split word)
9. Out into view
10. Two boys to describe a great family (Split word)
11. The amni coming from a door, maybe (Anagram)
12. The heart of things
13. The running way in which two letters are repeated (Split word)
14. The essential part of a register (Hidden word)
15. The best thing a child could play with (Double clue)

CAST IRON PLANT (R.D., Duncan)—The browning of the older leaves on your Aspidistra is an almost certain sign of unhappiness at the roots—very often due to incorrect watering. An overly warm room and a too-dry atmosphere can cause these symptoms in some houseplants, but the Aspidistra is so unusually tough and tolerant of unfavorable living conditions one of its common nicknames is Cast Iron Plant! I would be inclined, therefore, to plump for root trouble.

You had better knock the plant out of its pot and have a look at the root ball. If the lower soil is soggy wet and sodden, with the roots rotted and brown, this is clear evidence of over-watering, and the plant had better be repotted in fresh soil with an inch of gravel in the bottom for drainage.

Give no plant food at all until the plant starts making some new leaves, then feed, but very sparingly. Water only when the soil surface is dry to the touch, never on any kind of fixed schedule.

BEAUTIFUL BARK (E.N. MacP., Victoria)—The small tree you saw with the eye-catching bark was undoubtedly *Prunus serrula*, one of the ornamental flowering cherries, and not to be confused with *Prunus serrulata*, which is an entirely different critter.

Prunus serrula is no great shakes for its blossoms, and the fruit is too small to be of any use, but the winter

beauty of its bark is out of this world. You'd swear to look at it the tree had covered its trunk with a sheet of burnished copper!

TRANSPLANTING BROOM (O.J.S., Victoria)—Broom is a difficult plant to transplant, and I don't think you would have any luck in moving your eight-year-old white-flowered specimen. These plants are not very long-lived anyway, and your elderly gentleman would certainly resent disturbance at this time of life.

It would be better to try your hand at growing some new specimens from seed, growing them in pots of sandy loam soil sunk in the ground outdoors. I suggest pots rather than open ground sowing in order to facilitate their later transplanting.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those readers who have been so thoughtful as to send Christmas cards. My wife and I have been deeply touched to think folks we have never met face to face should have taken the time and trouble during the busy days of Christmas preparations to send us their good wishes.

In return, I would like to wish all my fellow gardeners just the kind of Christmas they would most like to have: merry. They are young and active, peaceful and contented and rich in good memories if they are in the evening of life, and to all that unwavering hope which is the essential message of Christmas.

Upton Sinclair

If It's Popular He's Against It!

By RUDOLF FLEISCH

A crank, says the dictionary, is "a person with queer notions or habits."

Like 84-year-old Upton Sinclair, whose autobiography has just been published by Harcourt, Brace, Sinclair's "queer notions and habits" would fill a book—in fact, they've filled some 80 volumes of his assorted works. Name almost any subject and you'll find Upton Sinclair on the opposite side of established beliefs of the rest of mankind.

He's a socialist, but is against Marxism in general and communism in particular. He believes economic betterment, but is an idealist and a firm believer in God.

He's against war, but is utterly opposed to pacifism. He's a materialist, but also a convinced spiritualist. He's a health faddist, but in the course of his long life he's repeatedly switched from vegetarianism to a meat diet to total fasting to a rice-and-fruit diet and to numerous stops in between.

He's all out for democracy, but has taken time out to write a sympathetic book about Queen Marie Antoinette, of all people.

And so forth and so on. For more than 80 years this grand old man has devoted all his energies to doing the unexpected, the unpopular, the thing bound to disturb not only his enemies but also his devoted admirers and intellectual comrades.

He has influenced history and made the world a better place to live in. He has battled the forces of evil on a dozen different fronts. He has steadfastly refused to give up the fight for his convictions—even in a world where the word "socialism" has long lost its magic and its joyful ring.

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Christmas Eve to guide pilots home. Crews on Christmas duty wait out the long night in full flying gear. Left to right are Flt. Lt. W. A. C.

Wilson, Flt. Lt. D. Broadbent and FO A. Horoshko. Potent Voodoo jets stand at 60-second alert on cold tarmac outside.

Freight Bid

Semi-Trailer Rates Cut By B.C. Ferries

B.C. Government Ferries have reduced freight rates on semi-trailers, presumably in a bid to win back freight business lost to the CPR.

An immediate reduction was authorized by an order-in-council Friday, for semi-trailers placed aboard the last sailings each day.

OUT OF LINE

A ferry spokesman denied that the government ferries had lost freight business to the CPR. He said that "our fares were out of line, we had to come down."

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Post Office Breaks Old Record

Victoria Post Office handled 6,000,000 pieces of mail in the first 21 days of this month in a record-breaking Christmas rush.

But there is no backlog of mail left in the post office, a spokesman said last night. Normal staffs are on duty and letters posted yesterday or today would be delivered tomorrow, he said.

This year's figure for letters handled is some 10 per cent higher than last year, which was a record.

Postmaster Allan Davies last night paid tribute to the public for co-operating with the postal staff in mailing their cards early.

RITES THURSDAY

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth; eight sons—Edgar, Frank, Roy, Leonard, Glyn, Dennis, Lloyd and Wayne, and four daughters—Margaret, Gwendolyn, Edna and Gwyneth.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday. Interment will be in Hatley Memorial Gardens.

Youth Hurt In Assault

Roger Raoul Lavigne, 20, of Heath Drive, was admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital early yesterday suffering from injuries sustained when he was knocked to the ground and kicked in the stomach by two men.

City detectives are investigating the assault. Lavigne is in good condition, the hospital reported last night.

Treat at Pound

By DON MATHESON

Blackie just looked up, gave his tail a tentative wag, then gently put his head back down on his paws.

Christmas dinner had proved a little too much for Blackie, one of more than 30 homeless "best-friends" spending the holiday in the Victoria SPCA shelter.

It was served a bit early, admittedly, because like most humans, officials of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will have their own Christmas dinners at home on the proper day.

Like all the other residents at the SPCA, cats, included, Blackie had his on Saturday afternoon.

It was quite a tuck-in. The menu included: stew,

Blackie Over-Ate

temperature precisely right, several kinds of dog biscuits, raw meat and a garnish of good, raw, ground beef.

For cats, special cat food, raw liver and whale meat.

Blackie rather overdid it, says SPCA executive director David Beeching, but after all, Christmas is Christmas.

Every animal in the shelter shared the feast.

It was served on the front lawn, on individual plates, with a member of the Junior SPCA acting as waiter and dinner companion for each dog.

Fortune May Lie In Old Ad

Mrs. Roy Hart, of Duncan, is looking for an old newspaper advertisement which may help her track down a legacy she believes has been left to her in England.

Mrs. Hart was recently told by friends that they had seen a newspaper advertisement in a paper in May or June of 1961 or 1962 asking her to get in touch with solicitors in England.

She does not know whether it was in a Duncan or a Victoria paper but is asking anyone who may have seen the item to get in touch with her at General Delivery, Duncan, and give her the details.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Potter of 2455 Mowat, emphasized Santa, a sign wishing Season's Greetings, lighted trees, an overhead star of lights and the basic winter motif to take top honors in one of the seven categories of the contest. Illumination was rose and green.

ON CUL-DE-SAC

Judging was completed and results announced last night.

A tasteful display by all nine households on an Esquimalt cul-de-sac took top honors in two other categories.

The residents of Lampson Place, entered under the name of one, J. G. Graham, won the prize for best group display and best depiction of the Christmas message.

The entire short street was transformed into a somewhat stylized middle eastern scene.

Cars Collide Woman Cut

A two-car crash at Thetis Lake underpass last night sent a Langford woman to Royal Jubilee Hospital with cuts, bruises and shock.

Mrs. Ethel Beaven, 2734 Claude Road, was admitted for treatment. She was in satisfactory condition early this morning.

Blackie Over-Ate

Funds for the special dinner came from donations placed in a Christmas stocking hanging from a tree in the SPCA office, and from two anonymous members of the SPCA.

Members who attended the afternoon left other donations that aided SPCA coffers by \$100, Mr. Beeching said.

Some of the lonely canines get two Christmas dinners, depending on fortune.

Six puppies, eight-week-old Labrador-Collie crosses, could be adopted for Christmas.

SPCA offices and kennels will be open Monday between 9 a.m. and noon for anyone looking for a friendly Christmas present: dog or cat.

Senior members, about 10 strong, attended to share the occasion. They were given tea and cake.

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Fortune May Lie In Old Ad

VATICAN CITY (Reuters) — Pope John XXIII broadcast a strong appeal for peace and unity among Christians Saturday night in his fifth Christmas message to the world.

NOT WASTED

The 81-year-old spiritual leader of more than 500,000,000 Roman Catholics looked thinner and somewhat wan as he spoke, but his voice was firm and vigorous.

SILENT ON ILLNESS

He did not mention the illness that struck him late last month. Since then the Pope has resumed most of his engagements. Official statements said he had stomach trouble and anemia while some foreign newspapers claimed he had cancer.

The Pope recorded his message in advance in his private library here. It was carried

over Vatican Radio, linked with the radio networks of other countries and over Italian television.

NONE BETTER

On world peace, the Pope expressed his joy that his appeal for negotiations instead of violence Oct. 25—at the height of the Cuban crisis—appeared "not to have been wasted on the air."

Pope John said there were signs that his words had "touched minds and hearts and are serving to open up new prospects of brotherly trust and to hold out bright hopes of true social and international peace."

BRIGHT BEACON

Pope John referred to the recently ended first session of the Vatican ecumenical council as "a bright beacon raised over the Eternal City."

Christmas Message

Pope Broadcasts Plea for Peace

He said that one result of the council had been the spontaneous revelation, almost unexpected by most people, of a sense of unity, "or rather of the attraction, informed, conscious, well-received, toward Christian brotherhood."

ONE BETTER

The Pontiff added: "Certainly no solemnity in the church is better suited to characterize the council than the birth of Christ, which was announced in heavenly glory and in the joy of brotherhood of all men."

He said there were few times in the 20 centuries of Christianity that the desire for unity had been felt so ardently. It was a serious obligation on each one's conscience, the Pope said, and Catholics should dedicate themselves anew to the task of establishing an abiding love for unity.

On the day of judgment, he said, each person would be asked whether he had prayed and worked and suffered for unity.

CONSTANT EFFORT

Pope John said that in his four years as pontiff his constant endeavor had been to act as the "servant of the servants of God, who is in truth the Lord and Prince of Peace."

He added:

"Let peace then be our objective at all times; let us aim at creating peace around us."

"And of all the earth's treasures, the most precious and the most noteworthy is that of peace."

The Pope said it was his wish that this "should be a Christian prayer and reflection, to correspond to the earnest desire of Jesus Christ for the unity of believers in his name and his gospel: That they may be one."

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• Residential nineteenth-year entries: 1. Edward Dong, 3740 Cadboro Bay Road; 2. Alfred Lincoln, Jr., 1320 Thurlow; 3. W. S. Hall,

Wild Turkeys Back In Cypress Hills

It may not be long before people are shooting wild turkeys again in Alberta.

Zoologist Dr. Victor Lewin of the University of Alberta has made three expeditions in the past year into the southeast corner of the province to investigate the government's program of re-introduction of the wild turkey to the area. He says it has been successful.

Alberta

In the Cypress Hills 14 birds were located a year ago. Dr. Lewin made a personal tally of 50 birds during his expeditions.

But of the 2,345 Chukar partridge that were introduced into the area at the same time not a trace remains, he says.

Canadian have no particular predilection for horsemeat, steaks or otherwise, but Almack Processors of Edmonton are exporting \$3,000,000 in horsemeat annually.

Scandinavians, Dutch, Belgians and French are the best customers, and in Japan there is an expanding market for raw and frozen horsemeat.

Alaska is experimenting with canning and smoking meat for Europe.

Marie Sammace, of Cardston, a 19-year-old sociology student at the University of Alberta, has been presented with a Blood Indian Band scholarship by Chief Shot Both Sides.

The \$250 scholarship is provided from band funds for any of the Bloods attending university.

"Our people," said Chief Shot Both Sides, "find this period of transition hard. Quite a few get discouraged and give up. We are happy one of our members has proven herself so successful in the field of education. She is a credit to our people."

A 23-year-old law student at University of Alberta Sheldon Chumir, of Calgary, has been

Gone Are the Days . . .

Loggers' Christmas No Longer a War

VANCOUVER (CP) — Not many years ago the start of the Christmas season was a declaration of war.

Loggers in their unruly hundreds poured into town from upcoast camps with a towering thirst and a pocket full of money to quench it.

WORRIED EYES
As hundreds of rambunctious men approached the city, police nervously fingered their night sticks, merchants cast worried eyes at their stocks and bartenders put away everything that was breakable and stocked up with the largest supply of booze they could lay their hands on.

Meanwhile, crews of "loggers liners" headed down unruly roads and dropped the worst ones into the hands of the police at Alert Bay, 300 miles north of here.

RIOTOUS LIVING
Until the loggers' money ran out and road was a place of wild, riotous living. When the money and hangovers were over the men waited for the camps to reopen, then weekly went back.

The days are gone forever. Hotels may comparatively few of today's loggers bother to come to town.

SURVEY TELLS WHY
A survey of some of the camps on Vancouver Island gives an indication why. Most now are communities with a permanent base of married loggers and their families.

At Mabatta River single men eat in a blue-curtained cookhouse with a Swiss head cook. Their bunk rooms are surrounded by neat tables, chairs, radios, reading lamps and the latest pinups. A heated swimming pool is under construction.

At Port McNeill there are modern houses on lots costing

Major Frank A. Ney Dies at Nanaimo Home

Major Frank A. Ney, First World War veteran of the Winnipeg Rifles, died at his home in Nanaimo Friday.

Born in Ry, England, Major Ney came to Canada before the First World War and returned in 1947, when he went into the real estate business at Nanaimo with his brother, R. O. Ney, now of Victoria.

He had suffered for years

The aim is to make the next provincial general election a straight two-way fight. "This is the only way Premier Manning's government can be toppled," Mr. Lebeuf said.

Saskatchewan

Clarence Spens turned away from his wife and three young children, slid a pack of cigarettes in one pocket and tobacco and cigarette papers in another, and said, "I'll be home for Christmas."

Then he left to spend three days in the Regina jail for the principle of the thing.

Mr. Spens appeared in police court Tuesday and was fined \$5 with the option of three days in jail for illegally operating a barber shop in his home.

He said he was going to serve the jail sentence rather than pay the fine, which he could afford, to protest what he termed a "runaround by some city officials at city hall."

Spens said some city officials told him his business was legal and others told him it was not. He said when he applied to have his area re-zoned so that he could be sure he was operating the business legally, he heard nothing from the city until he got a summons to appear in court.

Mr. Spens was a truck driver until an accident partially disabled him. He then took a barbershop course.

Francis Weber, a farmer at Wadena, plowed up an ancient cowbell.

It was inscribed with the name of its place of origin, Saignelocier, Switzerland, and the date, presumably of its manufacture, 1878.

In the same field Mr. Weber had previously found a stone hammer estimated at three to four centuries old, and a buffalo skull of more than a hundred years.

Claims against a Moose Jaw doctor for negligence have brought to Mr. and Mrs. George Olexa a judgment for \$93,598. Dr. Douglas Jamieson, defendant, did not contest the action.

The statement of claim maintained that by negligence and lack of skill Dr. Jamieson had ended plaintiff's association with his wife, caused a total and permanent disability, and his loss of employment.

The husband got \$71,500 and the wife special damages of \$20,000.

The presidents of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool and the Saskatchewan Farmers' Union welcome new sales of wheat to Communist China.

C. W. Gibbons, Wheat Pool president, says normal commercial markets for Canadian wheat were not expected to expand. This made it necessary to sell increased amounts on credit in new areas.

A. P. Gleave, Farmers' Union president, says "the extension of the credit terms (granted to Red China) was to be expected because of the increases in terms made by other countries such as France and Australia."

Manitoba

D. M. Dunlop, superintendent in Calgary for Canadian Pacific Railway, has been named assistant general manager for the CPR's prairie region effective Jan. 1.

Mr. Dunlop, whose new headquarters will be in Winnipeg, succeeds L. R. Smith, who moves to Vancouver as vice-president and general manager for the Pacific region.

H. G. McGinn, assistant superintendent at Brandon, has been appointed in replace Mr. Dunlop.

Manitoba breeder of Charolais cattle has accused the federal agriculture department of "unfair and unreasonable" restrictions on importation of the cattle from France.

Stan Roberts, vice-president of the 200-member Canadian Charolais Breeders Association, says that the department gives danger of foot and mouth disease as its reason for refusing entry to new Charolais stock.

"There are ways and means of checking the presence of foot and mouth through a long quarantine period," Mr. Roberts said.

"Our association has repeatedly offered to pay all the costs of all health-guard measures necessary. They have rejected every offer we made.

"We believe that pressure from powerful and older breeders association is behind these unfair and unreasonable rulings."

West German interests are nearing the completion of negotiations to pick up a large part of a 300-acre industrial site in Brandon for the establishment of an industry entirely new to that city.

The completion will bring two industrial sites in Manitoba under West German control—a 200-acre site already purchased in Selkirk for a steel factory.

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THE DAILY COLONIST

Cuba Comes First

News Choices: Blockade and Medicare

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Blockade of Cuba was the world's top news story of 1962. President Kennedy's Oct. 22 announcement of a "quarantine," an action that led to withdrawal of Russian nuclear weapons from the Caribbean republic, was picked as story of the year by telegraph editors of daily newspapers in a Canadian Press poll.

In second place they put the Sept. 30 riots accompanying Negro James Meredith's enrollment at University of Mississippi.

NEHRU APPEAL

Third spot went to Red China's invasion of India Oct. 20, leading to the ousting of Krishna Menon from Prime Minister Nehru's cabinet and Nehru's appeal to the West for help.

Top Canadian story was the Saskatchewan struggle between doctors and government over a compulsory medical health plan, climaxized by compromise July 23.

The editors were asked to pick the top six world and Canadian news events of the year.

FORAY INTO SPACE

They chose forays into space for fourth and fifth spots in world news: Russia's team effort in August in which Nikita Khrushchev and Popovich circled the earth 64 and 48 times respectively; and John Glenn's three-round trip Feb. 20 as the first American to travel in orbit.

Their choice for sixth place was the Aug. 5 suicide of actress Marilyn Monroe.

AUSTERITY THIRD

As a close second in news impact in Canada the editors picked the Dominion election of June 18. Their choice for third spot was the austerity program announced by Prime Minister Diefenbaker six days later.

They saw the story of the deformity-causing drug thalidomide as ranking fourth, with May 2 devaluation of the dollar next. The fantastic fog-shrouded Grey Cup game, preceded by months-long argument over TV rights, ranked sixth.

Knife Fights Kill

Two Youths

TORONTO (CP) — Two youths were charged with non-capital murder Saturday after two teen-aged boys were stabbed to death in separate incidents—one at a high school dance and the other in a street fight.

Guilty were Garry Graham, 19, stabbed on the throat with a pocket knife at a dance in east-central Toronto, and James Keith, 18, stabbed in the abdomen with a six-inch fish-scaling knife outside a North Toronto restaurant.

Patrick Garrity, 17, was charged with non-capital murder after Graham died in hospital. A similar charge was laid against Leslie Barber, 16, after doctors were unable to save Keith although they opened his chest and massaged his failing heart.

Canada Bans Detour To Cuba

TORONTO (CP) — A Christian college in Cuba for a group of U.S. college students has been halted.

Mrs. Julia Gonzales, Cuban consul in Toronto, said the Canadian Air Transport Board has refused a request by the Cuban government that the students be allowed to fly from Toronto.

The U.S. ban travel to the Caribbean island by American citizens.

A plane in Toronto awaiting the students, was reported to have been chartered by Cubans, the Cuban government airline.

Two Rescued By Brother

SPOKANE (AP) — A 16-year-old boy snatched his younger brother and sister and led them from their burning home to safety Saturday when fire swept through their one-story house.

Ed Ulbricht, told firemen he and the other two youngsters were home alone when he awakened about 1 a.m. and smelled smoke.

London Banks Hit by Thugs

LONDON (AP) — Armed gangs walked into two London banks Friday, let off warning pistol shots, bolted with cash amounting to hundreds of pounds and disappeared in streets thronged by Christmas shoppers. One gang scooped £400 from a bank in suburban Cricklewood. The second bunch of gangsters grabbed £100 from a bank in the suburb of Kilburn.

The Selections:

World: 1. Blockade of Cuba; 2. Mississippi riots; 3. Invasion of India; 4. Russia's space team; 5. Glenn in orbit; 6. Eichmann's execution, the medical council, President Kennedy's fight with steel companies; 7. Marilyn Monroe death; Canadian: 1. Medicare; 2. Pan-American Market election; 3. austerity; 4. thalidomide; 5. dollar devaluation; 6. Grey Cup game. Other world stories rated high.

included Algerian independence, launching of Telstar, the Iranian earthquake, Sept. 1; the top six included Hazel Argue's bolt from the New Democratic Party, the Ontario strike investigation, the Sons of Freeman march, launching of a Canadian-built satellite in California and the September Commonwealth conference in London.

Frankincense — And Milk

EL DORADO, Kan. (AP) — The infant Jesus in a whimsical Christmas pageant Saturday was portrayed by a live baby — who decided to cry.

One of the three kings had the milking. He substituted milk for myrrh.

Yemen Recognized

OTTAWA (CP) — Canada officially recognized the new republican government of Yemen, External Affairs Minister Green announced.

Avant Garde Controversy

28 Bute Colonial, Victoria Sunday, Dec. 23, 1962

Red Art Lover a Spy

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Soviet security men were reported Saturday to have arrested a Russian modern art lover for espionage amid a growing controversy over avant garde art in Russia.

The newspaper Leningradskaya Pravda said Rudolf Friedman, a Leningrad physics teacher, was drawn into espionage after meeting an American tourist and expressing his love for modern art.

Ilyichev said the Soviet premier received letters appealing to him to do everything to prevent a repetition of what took over well."

Meanwhile a member of the place in the field of art during the Stalinist era.

He referred to a letter from a group of comrades" appealing for "peaceful co-existence of all directions in art."

But Ilyichev said: "We must make it clear: Peaceful co-existence of socialist ideology and bourgeois ideology never was and never can be."

Ilyichev said the comrades who wrote the letter took it back after they "thought things

were over well."

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1⁹⁸ Brief, elastic **99^c**
sizes S.M.L. The BAY, lingerie, 2nd

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CDP, \$5 monthly
The BAY, hardware, lower main

Imported Sweaters—Beautiful Botany wools and Shetland sweaters in classic full-fashioned styles, assorted colors. 36-40. Sale, each **3⁹⁹**
The BAY, sportswear, 2nd

Gifts for Men

The Currie "500" Sport Shirt—He'll love one! Easy-care cotton shirt features short-point collar, comes in green, olive, blue, grey, tan **5** or gold. S.M.L. and XL. Sale, each **5**
The BAY, men's shirts, main

Arrow Arden Dress Shirts—Crisp white cotton shirt features short point Kent collar, single or French cuff. Sizes 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 17; sleeve length 32-35. Each **5**
The BAY, men's furnishings, main

Marguerite Cigars—Wonderful smoke! Smooth cigars are blended with Havana leaf, come in 3 different size Christmas **10** for **1** and **25** for **2⁵⁰** pack boxes.

Old-Port Cigars—Rum flavored, wine dipped, extra mild cigars are top favorites. Each **10^c**
The BAY, tobaccos, main

Lordox 35-mm. Camera—Marvellous camera with all the wanted features: 2.8 lens, built-in self-timer, built-in flash for AG1 bulbs, fast film advance and rewind—much more. Case included. Sale, each **28⁹⁵**
The BAY, cameras, main

Give Him a Utility Drill—Top quality, $\frac{1}{2}$ " Black & Decker utility drills combine ideal weight, power within one complete unit. Capacity in steel, $\frac{1}{2}$ "; hardwood, $\frac{3}{4}$ "; holesaws, $\frac{1}{2}$ "; Special offer includes free **Buxton** wallet or key case. Sale, each **17⁹⁵**
The BAY, hardware, lower main

Christmas Wrap Cigarettes—Buy a gift-carton, they're always appreciated, especially now! Favorite brands. **32⁵⁰** Flat Fifties **90^c**
Carton **32⁵⁰** Flat Fifties **90^c**
The BAY, tobaccos, main

Irish Linen Handkerchiefs—Top quality Irish linen all in crisp white. Extra gift he'll really appreciate. Handkerchiefs are individually cello wrapped. Each **75^c**
The BAY, men's furnishings, main

Gifts for the Home

Long Play Records—A gift for all year! Most popular selection includes:
"South Pacific" (sound track). Each **4.95**
"Girls, Girls, Girls" (Elvis Presley). Each **3.95**
"My Son, the Folk Singer" (Allan Sherman). **4.20**
"Breakfast at Tiffany's" (Henry Mancini). **3.95**
"Belafonte at Carnegie Hall," Monaural **9.95**
Stereo, **11.95**
The BAY, major appliances, 3rd

Fleetwood Clock Radio—Reg. 39.95! 5-tube radio features automatic alarm, "Slumber switch" that lets you go to sleep to music, turns itself off. Coral or sandstone cabinet. Sale, each **29⁹⁵**
CDP \$5 monthly
The BAY, major appliances, 3rd

Imported Alarm Clocks—Attractive clocks for her bedroom come in clear Lucite cases of green, blue, pink, beige or crystal. 30-hour spring wound, visible movement. Sale, each **4⁹⁵**
The BAY, clocks and watches, main

Silver-Plated Serving Pieces—Color meat fork, gravy ladle, berry spoon and pie server in beautiful Eldorado pattern. Perfect for Christmas parties! Sale, each **99^c**
The BAY, silverware, main

For Dad . . . a Hassock—Square or round, 16" hassocks are expertly made, beautifully finished, come in Golden Rod, brown or beige. Each **10⁹⁵**
The BAY, furniture, 4th

Traditional Table Lamps—European designed lamps feature white base with gold-color decor, make a sure-fire gift for Christmas. **12⁹⁵** high.
Each **28⁹⁵**
The BAY, lamps, 4th

"Crown Prince" Towel Ensembles—For particular home-makers, particular towels: Thick, soft, deeply piled terry "Crown Prince" in beautiful shades: Burnt orange, peach, pink, beige, gold, jade—many more. Bath towels, **2¹⁵**
each
Hand towel, each **1¹⁵** Face cloth, each **59^c**
The BAY, staples, 3rd

Gifts for Children

Baby Bouncer—A great boon to Mother, a great help in strengthening baby's legs! Just hang it in a doorway, let baby "bounce," keeps him happy and quiet! White. Reg. 5.98. Sale, **5**
The BAY, children's wear, 3rd

Children's Pajamas—Sanforized flannelette, warm and pretty. Tailored p.j.'s feature fairy-tale patterns or geometric designs. Girl's are lace-trimmed, boy's are just like Dad's. **3^{6x}** Reg. 1.98. Sale, pair **1⁹⁹**
The BAY, children's wear, 3rd

Girls' Pajamas—Cosy, Sanforized flannelette features yoke or tailored-style jackets, long trousers. Geometric or floral patterns. Sizes 8 to 14. Reg. 2.98. Sale, pair **1⁹⁹**
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Victoria Watchers Lead All Continent Record Bird Tally?

The birdwatching section of the Victoria Natural History Society may come close to setting a new Canadian record in the annual bird count held yesterday across the North American continent.

It was still uncertain late last night whether the 36 bird counters in the Greater Victoria area had counted 123 or 125 species, because there were two "probables" which will have to be checked out in the next day or two.

100 RECORD

Last year, Victoria recorded 121 species and a total of 58,000 birds, setting a Canadian record. Prairie counts usually produce 15 to 25 species.

Three rare birds were spotted, a trumpeter swan, a white-fronted goose and a great horned owl, said David Stirling, who with Tom Briggs organized the census and compiled the results.

BIG COUNT

Bird watchers gathered at the home of G. A. Poynter, 1555 Monterey, last night, to turn in their counts. Mr. Stirling said he thought some 50,000 to 60,000 birds were counted during the day.

The count also showed that starlings are scarce here this year, and that two summer birds, the Audubon warbler and the western tanager, are still here.

10,000 TAKE PART

The Christmas bird counts are held from the Rio Grande to Alaska. More than 10,000 persons equipped with notebooks, binoculars and telescopes participated in last year's count. Results are published in the Audubon Field Notes.



Taking a bird census at Langford Lake yesterday are Victoria Natural History Society members Joan Hannay, left, 1311 Victoria Avenue; Tom Briggs, 2531 Florence Lake Road, and Leah Halsall, 50 Howe Street. (Jack Fry.)

Missile Killer Picks Right Target

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Nike-Zeus anti-missile missile successfully intercepted the first intercontinental ballistic missile target using decoys in a Pacific test yesterday, the U.S. Army announced.

Two Zeus missiles were fired against the target and its decoys, but one of the Zeus missiles developed trouble after launching and was destroyed, the announcement said.

One of the questions raised by defense department experts about the army's Nike-Zeus has been its ability to "discriminate" between the true ICMB target and decoys which show similar images close to the true target on a radar screen.

The army announcement did not say how many decoys were in the Atlas missile which was launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. It was sent about 5,000 miles to the area of Kwajalein Island, where the Zeus weapons were launched.

How can these two opposing views be integrated when each representative records an increase in prestige?

Let's take a look at other denominations.

The most stunning answer is provided by Rev. Laura Butler of Metropolitan United Church, who consulted with six fellow-ministers before answering my questions.

"Twenty-five years ago people went to church through force, fear and duty. Today they choose to go."

Hoffa Jury Works On

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The jury trying James Hoffa on conspiracy charges reported Saturday night — for the third time — it was deadlocked after 14 hours but agreed to return to deliberate the Teamsters Union president's case today.

Workers went to church through force, fear and duty. Today they choose to go.

Yes and no," she says in regard to prestige and attractions of the church.

"Twenty-five years ago

people went to church through force, fear and duty. Today they choose to go."

Disturb the Undisturbed

Force, fear, duty?

How can these three words be correlated to the church?

"The church is doing a lot of self-examination," Miss Butler continues. "We have to disturb the undisturbed."

One of the problems of a church congregation is that many families across Canada move continually and before they have time to establish close ties with the church, she says.

"There is no waning in respect (toward the churches)," says Rev. R. D. Holmes of Central Baptist Church.

"People here are concerned, they are interested. Our counseling sessions are increasing."

The church is crowded morning and night.

What happens at the Philosophy Club of the University of British Columbia is a good thing, says Dr. Marian Sherman, a scientific humanist who broke away from the church years ago.

She was referring to recent discussions about faith and the churches at the club.

Her conclusion: "They (the discussions) show young people are becoming less and less afraid of the church. Who is going to set them free?"

"If enough people could speak out, something would change. Atheist and agnostic

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Post Time!

WASHINGTON (AP) — A crackdown has been ordered on drinking in the Washington post office. Officials said on-the-job drinking has become so widespread that mail operations have been disrupted.

On Dec. 1-2, postmaster O. G. Beal said, 400 empty liquor bottles were found in the main post office.

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Greetings Dodge Race Ban

PORT ELIZABETH (AP) — Christmas cards have taken a political slant in South Africa this year. Thousands have been sold bearing photographs of Albert Luthuli, president of the banned African National Congress who is barred from public appearance, and five other Congress leaders. Luthuli is a Nobel peace prize winner.



ALBERT LUTHULI

41 Escape Only Pilot Killed

BRASILIA (AP) — A Brazilian airliner with 43 persons reported aboard crashed Saturday night near Brasilia International Airport while preparing to land at this inland capital. The fire department said only one person died — the pilot.

Never crew and 35 passengers were reported aboard the Varig airliner on a two-hour flight from Rio de Janeiro to Brasilia.

A fireman said the co-pilot was severely hurt and most others on the twin-engine plane suffered minor injuries. The pilot was taken out alive but died later.

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Fog on Freeway

One Killed, 50 Hurt In 200-Car Pile-Up

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Two hundred cars piled into each other on the fog-bound Santa Ana Freeway Saturday night in a gigantic chain highway collision which claimed one life and left 50 injured.

It started when a woman driver with a flat tire pulled off the road.

A Roman Catholic nun was killed.

Off-duty sheriff's deputy Bob Bollong, 36, was one of those involved.

"I hit, then the car behind hit me twice," he said.

"I ran back to place some flares.

"From then on you could hear the crashes up the freeway — boom, boom, boom — all down the line."

Havana Prisoners

1,113 'Mad with Joy'

HAVANA (AP) — Spirits were reported running high Saturday behind the walls of Havana's Princeps Prison and on the penitentiary Isle of Pines where 1,113 Cuban invasion prisoners are held. Word of their impending release — on Monday, Christmas Eve according to the Prisoners' Families Committee in Havana — reached them Friday.

'MAD WITH JOY'

"They're fascinated and mad with joy," said Bertha Barreto, a Cuban working with the Prisoners' Families Committee. She is the mother of one of the prisoners. Her husband, Jesus, is in Miami, Fla.

She said the men were still gulping down food sent to them in packages this week from their families here and abroad.

Mrs. Barreto and attorney James Donovan signed an exchange agreement with Prime Minister Fidel Castro. The signing took place in Mrs. Barreto's home here.

Reports from Princeps Prison say most of the prisoners captured at the Bay of Pigs invasion 20 months ago are in fair condition.

Cuban newspapers printed the news of the prisoner exchange on their front pages Saturday morning. For the first time, the newspaper referred to the men as prisoners. Before this, they called them "wretches."

Snows Sweep Europe

GENEVA (Reuters) — Heavy snows swept across Europe today, snarling traffic and stranding skiers attracted by reports of good skiing conditions over the Christmas holiday in European mountain resorts.

Snow roads were buried in up to 30 feet of snow in areas that blocked winter resorts and paralyzed rail traffic.

An avalanche swept over the St. Gotthard pass jamming the international railroad line between Switzerland and Italy.

A freight train was derailed by the avalanche and its cars buried under 20 feet of snow. There were no casualties.

The pass was not expected to be cleared before Sunday night.

First Plane Today Ransom Ship Sails

MIAMI (AP) — Official U.S. sources said Saturday night the first plane load of Cuban invasion prisoners would be flown to Florida about 5:30 a.m. PST today.

Meanwhile, other Pan Am planes will fly to Havana carrying cargo which will supplement the drugs and food

Workers toiled Saturday night and a ransom-laden freighter sailed from Port Everglades, Fla., for Havana.

Soft-Line Switch Ousts UN's Zorin

MOSCOW (AP) — Valerian A. Zorin, veteran hard-line Russian negotiator tripped up by the Kremlin's soft-line switch in the Cuban crisis, was removed Sunday as Soviet delegate to the United Nations.

Nikolai T. Fedorenko, now ambassador to Japan, was named his successor, Tass reported.

In announcing the change, Tass mentioned no new assignment for Zorin and left unclear whether Zorin's rank as a deputy foreign minister was affected. When a senior Soviet official loses his rank, this normally is made clear.

Reporters' inquiries at Soviet headquarters in New York brought only expressions of surprise. Callers were told no official word of the change had been received.

Zorin was at the delegation's country house in Glen Cove on Long Island. UN acquaintances of Zorin suggested that health might be a factor in the change. They said Zorin, who is 60, was tired and seemed somewhat unsure of himself at a press conference Saturday reviewing the UN General Assembly session.

Fedorenko, 50, is a Far Eastern affairs expert who also has served in the Soviet Embassy in Peking.

VALERIAN ZORIN
... rank unclear

NIKOLAI FEDORENKO
... Far East expert

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The man who started it all, Kokichi Mikimoto, developer of cultured pearl process, is shown here shortly before his death in 1954.

Records in Review

These May Help to Solve Last-Minute Gift Problem

By CLYDE GILMOUR

With only one day left to shop, here are some recommended recordings for your last-minute Christmas gift-list... including a few you may feel justified in bestowing on yourself.

The selections range from classical masterworks to jazz, to show-business to novelties. In no particular order:

• **BACH:** Saint Matthew Passion (complete) — Otto Klemperer conducting Royal Philharmonic Orch. and Choir of London, with soloists Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Peter Pears, Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, Christa Ludwig (Angel 3399 E.L., five discs, monor or stereo). Long awaited, and worth the wait. A superlative performance of one of the world's treasures of sacred music, with sonics to match.

• **HEROLD-LANCHERY:** La Filet Mal Gardée, comedy ballet—Royal Opera House Orch. of Covent Garden under John Lanchbery (London mono 9321, stereo 6252). One of the real "finds" of the year—tuneful and exuberant music, joyously played and richly reproduced.

• **TCHAIKOVSKY:** Piano Concerto No. 1—Sviatoslav Richter, with Vienna Symphony Orch. under Herbert von Karajan (Deutsche Grammophon mono 18822, stereo 33822). Overworked though it has become, the ultra-familiar concerto still has its hidden glories. They are excitingly manifested in this Russian-German-Austrian collaboration.

• **DYLAN THOMAS:** A Child's Christmas in Wales and five poems (Caedmon 1002). The cello-vocal Welshman made these recordings in New York not long before his death in 1953. He seems to be right in the room beside you as he speaks, and what he says is spellbinding.

• **HEPPETZ-PIATIGORSKY CONCERTS:** with William Primrose, Leonard Pennario (RCA Victor LD-6159, three LPs). A luxurious item for chamber-music fans. Included are works by Mozart, Mendelssohn, Schubert, Brahms and Franck.

• **BETHOVEN:** The Five Piano Concertos—Wilhelm Kempff, with Berlin Philharmonic under Ferdinand Leitner (Deutsche Grammophon mono 18771, stereo 138771). The German master here pours out a lifetime of thought and experience into these well-varied concertos, complete on four LPs.

• **THE FIRST FAMILY:** (Cadence mono 3060, stereo 25060). A runaway best-seller, this clever collection of satirical sketches about the Kennedys deserves its success. Vaughn Meader sometimes sounds more like JFK than the President himself.

• **MILHAUD:** La Creation du Monde and Suite Provencal—Boston Symphony Orch. under Charles Munch (RCA Victor LD-2025, mono or stereo). A semi-jazzy ballet score and an affectionate, sunny tone-poem to the composer's French homeland. Visual as well as aural pleasures are offered in this handsome album.

• **BRITTEN:** A Ceremony of Carols—Texas Boys' Choir directed by George Brugg (Decca mono 10080, stereo 710080). I never heard of them before, but these young Texans obviously are a finely trained group. Overdrive they sing carols of many lands. Realistic sound.

• **THE LIGHT FANTASTIC:** A Tribute to Fred Astaire—Andre Previn Trio (Columbia mono 1888, stereo 8888). Ten of Astaire's songs from stage and screen, in small-combo jazz treatments marked by grace and vitality without hectic pandemonium.

• **JAZZ SAMBA:** (Verve 8432, mono or stereo). Featuring Stan Getz and Charlie Byrd, this was the first Bossa Nova disc to score a hit with the new Latin-tinged quiet jazz. It still rates among the best.

They Murder for Fun of It

Beware Killer Whales

Killer whales are vicious beasts that know no natural enemy, except perhaps, other killer whales. They'll smash an ice-flow to get at a polar bear, walrus or sea lion. And, hunting in packs, they will attack and kill even the giant sperm whale.

Seals, sea lions, and porpoises are its main diet, but the killer derives its name from its habit of wantonly killing for joy rather than its need for food.

Streaking in among a herd of seals, the whale may annihilate the herd, yet never eat one of the unfortunate creatures.

It would appear, therefore, that the diver, particularly one dressed in a black wet suit, is especially vulnerable to the killer whale because of his resemblance to the seal.

However, there has never been a recorded case of an unprovoked attack on man underwater.

I have been in the water three times at least, when the killers were in the same area and never knew they were there until I left the water.

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July 11, 1893, was Mikimoto's coup de maître. He and Ume were on the last batch of his oyster stake. They had been at it six days. Ume wearily opened another shell and there was a lustrous semi-spherical and fortune as the originator

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ART BUCHWALD Reads Between Lines

Incidental Intelligence

Society Pages Sensation

The Ambassador couldn't be there, but he had been called over to the White House for important conferences with the President.

"When I asked Zina where the Ambassador's wife was, she replied, 'She's packing the Ambassador's bag for a trip to Cuba.'

"Werick was telling some funny stories about Berlin and when I asked him if he thought Russia would sign a pact with East Germany he handed me a glass of champagne and said, 'It's quite possible.'

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"I met Mrs. Nganda Ula, wife of the Congolese minister for economic affairs, who said her husband couldn't be there as he was being held prisoner by the Katangese. Mrs. Ula was wearing an Indian sari of gold threads interwoven with pink and she looked striking.

"I was about to ask her how she was doing with her house-hunting when Col. Singh of the Indian Military Mission and his wife greeted me. I hadn't seen them since Jackie Kennedy's visit to New Delhi."

"The Singh made me promise to come to a dinner party they were giving Prime Minister Nehru who was coming on a secret mission to see President Kennedy."

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Records in Review

These May Help to Solve Last-Minute Gift Problem

By CLYDE GILMOUR

With only one day left to shop, here are some recommended recordings for your last-minute Christmas gift-list . . . including a few you may feel justified in bestowing on yourself.

The selections range from classical masterworks to jazz, to show-business to novelties, in no particular order.

• **BACH:** *Salai Matthew Passion* (complete) — Otto Klemperer conducting Philharmonic Orch. and Choir of London, with soloists Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Peter Pears, Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, Christa Ludwig (Angel 3389 E.L. five discs, mono or stereo). Long awaited, and worth the wait. A superlative performance of one of the world's treasures of sacred music, with sonics to match.

• **HEROLD-LANCHERY:** *La Fille Mai Gardée*, comedy ballet — Royal Opera House, Orch. of Covent Garden under John Lanchbery (London mono 9321, stereo 6252). One of the real "finds" of the year—tuneful and exuberant music, joyously played and richly reproduced.

• **TCHAIKOVSKY:** *Piano Concerto No. 1* — Sviatoslav Richter, with Vienna Symphony Orch. under Herbert von Karajan (Deutsche Grammophon mono 18822, stereo 13882). Over-worked though it has become, the ultra-familiar concerto still has its hidden glories. They are excitingly manifested in this Russian-German-Austrian collaboration.

• **DYLAN THOMAS:** *A Child's Christmas in Wales* and five poems (Cedarmont 1002). The cello-voiced Welshman made these recordings in New York not long before his death in 1953. He seems to be right in the room beside you as he speaks, and what he says is spellbinding.

• **HEIFETZ-PIATIGORSKY CONCERTS:** with William Primrose, Leonard Pennario (RCA Victor LD-6158, three LPs). A luxurious item for chamber-music fans. Included are works by Mozart, Mendelssohn, Schubert, Brahms and Franck.

• **BEETHOVEN:** *The Five Piano Concertos* — Wilhelm Kempff, with Berlin Philharmonic under Ferdinand Leitner (Deutsche Grammophon mono 18777, stereo 13877). The German master here pours out a lifetime of thought and experience into these well-varied concertos, complete on four LPs.

• **THE FIRST FAMILY** (Cadence mono 3080, stereo 25080). A runaway best-seller, this clever collection of satirical sketches about the "Kennedys" deserves its success. Vaughn Meader sometimes sounds more like JFK than the President himself.

• **MILHAUD:** *La Creation du Monde* and *Suite Provençale* — Boston Symphony Orch. under Charles Munch (RCA Victor LD-2825, mono or stereo). A semi-jazzy ballet score and an affectionate, sunny tone-poem to the composer's French homeland. Visual as well as aural pleasures are offered in this handsome album.

• **BRITTEN:** *A Ceremony of Carols* — Texas Boys' Choir directed by George Stagg (Decca mono 10080, stereo 71080). I never heard of them before, but these young Texans obviously are a finely trained group. Overside they sing carols of many lands. Romantic sound.

• **THE LIGHT FANTASTIC:** A Tribute to Fred Astaire — Andre Previn Trio (Columbia mono 1888, stereo 8888). Ten of Astaire's songs from stage and screen, in small-combo jazz treatments marked by grace and vitality without hectic pandemonium.

• **JAZZ NAMBA** (Verve 8432, mono or stereo). Featuring Stan Getz and Charlie Byrd, this was the first Bossa Nova disc to score a hit with the new Latin-tinged quiet jazz. It still rates among the best.

They Murder for Fun of It

Beware Killer Whales

Killer whales are vicious beasts that know no natural enemy, except perhaps, other killer whales. They'll smash an ice-flow to get at a polar bear, walrus or sea lion. And, hunting in packs, they will attack and kill even the giant sperm whale.

Seals, sea lions, and porpoises are its main diet, but the killer derives its name from its habit of wantonly killing its prey rather than its need for food.

Streaking in among a herd of seals, the whale may annihilate the herd, yet never eat one of the unfortunate creatures.

It would appear, therefore, that the diver, particularly one dressed in a black wet suit, is especially vulnerable to the killer whale because of his resemblance to the seal.

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Today, this pearl dynasty is known simply as K. Mikimoto. It is headed by Yosihiko Mikimoto, 4th grandson of the founder, Yosihiko's father, Ryuso, is a literateur and collector of John Ruskin's works. Outside the Ruskin collection at Yale University, his is the largest in the world. He serves as adviser to K. Mikimoto enterprises.

BIRD IN 1964

The elder Mikimoto, who died in 1954, had a difficult time when he first tried to export his pearls. His creations made a sensational debut in Europe. But Paris jewellers had a vested interest in expensive natural pearls. The high prices would be forced down by Mikimoto's pearls selling at one-fourth the price. Dealers handling his pearls were boycotted. A lawsuit was instituted.

Mikimoto won. After extensive tests, biologists reported no difference between natural and cultured pearls.

COSTLY LESSON

Low quality pearls are discarded. Kōkichi Mikimoto once burned 750,000 second-rate pearls in the streets of Kobe to shame inferior pearl dealers imitating his products and to demonstrate the selective quality of Mikimoto pearls.

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(Courtesy Seiko Service)

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Returns from this year's TB Christmas Seal campaign are running about \$10,000 ahead of last year. Mrs. J. U. Kimball, chairman of the Greater Victoria appeal, said yesterday.

Donations so far total \$21,561, which means the increase over last year is running ahead of the three percent average for B.C.



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Travel Links Kept Busy, Not Jammed

Bus, ferry and plane facilities linking Vancouver Island to the mainland are coping efficiently with holiday crowds travelling to spend Christmas at home or elsewhere.

None of the transportation company workers spoken to last night reported facilities strained to capacity or serious difficulty to handle crowds.

Buses and planes were handling crowds believed in excess of last year's, but handling them without serious difficulty. Good flying weather helped Trans-Canada Air Lines move extra flights of holiday travellers to and from the island on schedule.

Ferry companies reported normally brisk holiday traffic.

Monty Aldous, head of the B.C. Toll Authority, reported no serious overloading on government ferries. Friday traffic, he said, was a little lighter than had been expected but yesterday was brisk.

ON NONE' The almost-hourly service on the ferries to handle holiday crowds had, in the first two days of its operation, been "pretty well on the nose" what was required.

But he said Boxing Day traffic was expected to be extra heavy. Pre-Christmas travel, he said, is in effect being spread over a four-day weekend while return traffic will likely concentrate on Boxing Day.

Destinations included abroad, eastern Canada, the U.S. west coast and the Prairies. The farther away the destination, of course, the earlier people tended to leave.

FLYING HOME

Servicemen stationed in Victoria and private school students here, were mentioned as among those flying home.

A Vancouver Island Coach Lines dispatcher said: "We never operate to capacity," always having more buses to put on. But traffic Friday and yesterday was "very, very heavy."

**500 Total Helped**

Blazing Scatter-Guns Put Turkeys on Table

Dozens of turkeys hit the dust — or hit the Christmas table — as scatter guns blazed away yesterday at the Victoria Gun Club's annual turkey shoot.

Perfect sunny weather drew larger crowds than usual to the trapshooting event at the club's Albert Head grounds.

EQUAL CHANCE

Each squad of gunners, matched by handicap and skill so all had an equal chance, broke targets for turkey or ham.

Proceeds from the two-day shoot, which continues today

Battle On Again Today

from 9 a.m. to dusk, will help meet the Gun Club's \$400 donation to The Daily Colonist 500 Christmas Fund.

CLUB MEMBERS took a chance on the weather, and made their donation before the fund closed Friday.

Marksmen attending the event yesterday and today also had chances to take part in

carnival games, and the club's popular "Lucky Circle" turkey cards.

LUCKY CARDS

Proceeds from the Lucky Circle cards also helped the fund which reached a total of \$12,396.03 when the books were closed Friday morning.

Each of the 500 Victoria and area families that most needed help this Christmas thus received a cheque for \$26.80.

Cheques were in the mail shortly afterwards, and post office officials promised every effort to have all delivered by Monday morning.

Lighting Winner

Winner in the completely decorated-house category in the Jaycees Christmas lighting contest were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Potter, 2458 Mowat. Mr. Potter, 73, and 2458 Mowat, Mr. Potter, 73, and 2458 Mowat, tied for first prize last year. Contest judging was completed and results announced last night.

(Robin Clarke)

Christmas To Be Green

A green Christmas has been firmly predicted for Victoria, a spokesman for the weather office said last night.

The only possible chance for a snowfall — and it's a real long shot — is that a weather disturbance now centred in the Gulf of Alaska may move south in time for the big day.

Snowy Greeting On Looted Safe

A Merry Christmas message was waiting for Saanich police when they found a \$300-pound safe which had been stolen along with \$5,000 in cash from a Saanich supermarket over-night Friday.

The safecrackers also stole a can of artificial snow from the supermarket.

Saanich detectives, located the safe yesterday abandoned in bushes near Theta Lake.

Thieves wrote "Merry Christmas" across the safe using the artificial snow. But they took the \$5,000.

The safe at a Hi-Low Market, 4142 Wilkinson, had to be pried out of concrete before it was carted away on a dolly.

So neat was the job of enter-

ing the building that store employees were some time in discovering how thieves got in.

Manager Bill Henninger said last night it took Saanich detectives about "two seconds" to discover the entry method.

Seen In Passing

Andy Stewart doing his last-minute Christmas shopping. (He is advertising manager for a paint company and lives with his wife, Margaret, at 1780 Ash Road. His hobbies are cruising and fishing) . . . Bill Smith congratulating Doug Anderson for winning a turkey . . . Phyllis Webb painting a kitchen . . . Al Sullivan wondering when he's going to get his Christmas shopping done . . . Naomi Mackay visiting friends for the Christmas holidays . . . Cyril Chapman not showing up for a rehearsal . . . Harold Ridgway and Pat Horne dropping in on some friends for a late drink . . . Fred McGilman talking with Miss Victoria.



ANDY STEWART

Firms Shut by E-N Prices

By JACK FRY

Two historic Sooke timber companies say they are being forced out of business because they cannot meet the price demanded by the CPR for E&N land grant timber.

The CPR has formed the Pacific Logging Company which is logging its own timber at Sooke, on a contract basis.

Forced out of business last week was the Elder Timber Company, which was bought by Moore-Whittington Lumber

Co. Ltd. 12 years ago for \$1,500,000.

NEW JOBS

Twenty-five men were put out of work the week before Christmas. Some will move to new company operations on the mainland.

A. G. Manzer and Sons Ltd. over a period of months has dropped from 13 to 2 employees, and shortly, David Manzer will sell his Langford home and take some of his crew to Hope, to log timber in the Fraser Canyon district.

W. Stanley Moore, president

and divisional manager of sawmills and logging for Moore-Whittington, stressed that his firm was not bitter about the CPR's policy which forced closure of the Elder Timber Company camp in the Muir Creek valley 10 miles beyond Sooke.

'IMPOSSIBLE'

"We haven't been able to negotiate further purchases of standing timber from the Pacific Logging Company E&N land belt. Their terms were too strenuous for us," he said.

They offered us timber, but

their terms of payment were

impossible. They asked a high price, they wanted cash before it was logged and their cruiser was so close we could not afford to gamble.

"There was a price tag of \$8 per 1,000 feet board measure for hemlock and \$16 f.b.m. for fir. There is also a provincial government severance tax of 25 per cent of stumpage value, which brought the cost to \$10 per 1,000 f.b.m. for hemlock and \$20 for fir."

FURTHER LOSS

If actual production was less than the volume anticipated in the timber cruise, there would be a further loss, said Mr. Moore.

"They don't want us there. I think they offered us timber realizing we would not be able to extract it. We were assured by the CPR all along we would be given timber, but they didn't disclose their terms until recently."

We were horribly disappointed. Moore-Whittington was dealing with the E&N land department for more than 30 years. This, we've taken to heart, and we are very disappointed at their general attitude."

MORE AFFECTED

Besides the 25 men are out of work at the Muir Creek camp, another 15 hauling contractors, boom men, fitters and boilermakers will lose work because of the closure. Jobs will be found elsewhere for old-timers and key personnel.

Moore-Whittington has two more camps on Vancouver Island which will not be affected by the shutdown at Sooke — the 60-man main camp at Nitinat Lake, and the 30-man C. W. (Cain) Whistler Logging Company at Port McNeill.

DOUBLE SHIFT

The few open will offer traditional turkey, ham or roast beef to their guests, preceded by French-Canadian green pea soup and the popular consomme "because of the sherry in it," he said.

Several small coffee shops will also be open with Christmas dinners at modest prices, he added.

The combined operation turned out about 40,000,000 feet in 1962, and the firm's two saw-

mills in Victoria — Harbour Sawmills Ltd. and P. W. Sawmills — have been out of double shift for the past 10 years.

"Our mills will now have to get along on a greater percentage of timber purchased on the open market for an indefinite period, until we get our new camp operating," Mr. Moore said.

STAFF NOTEBOOK

A Merry Christmas — And Please Pay Up!

By Ted Shuckleford

shortly the attitude of the public has changed toward the young men who drive around town in chopped and channeled cars? One of the reasons for this came to our attention yesterday — Floyd Adams' car broke down on the Malahat and 30 cars went by before one stopped. Driver was W. W. McDonald of the Coachmen Club who drove Floyd right to his front door.

We've had it happen to us — and again it was a so-called hotrodder who helped.

A SPADE IN A SPADE

There's a refreshingly down-to-earth item in the pre-Christmas newsletter from Christ Church Cathedral, announcing a bottle drive and beginning

"Many good Anglicans will have empty bottles around the house after Christmas is over."

TRANSFORMATION

Isn't it amazing how in just a few

months she has been patiently explaining to as many as seven callers a day that "This isn't the House of Glamour." And some of them call right back in the belief that they missed the first time. It seems the beauty salon held the number something like 18 months ago and it makes one wonder just how often some women get their hair done.

HARD WORK: It might just be coincidence but Bert Walters has gained six pounds since he stepped down from the post of president of Victoria Chamber of Commerce in September.

PEACE, GOODWILL, ETC.

We know it's the season for goodwill and burying the hatchet and so on but Mrs. Cliff Harrison of 3084 Albany was a little surprised the other day to have a mail order parcel from Simpson's Sears delivered all wrapped up in an Ensign's advertising flier.

Goes One Step Beyond

750 Will Not Eat, But Dine

Then follows the Yule log ceremony and a proclamation and blessing by Sam Lane himself. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marmon will make their marionette performance, and a Hammond organ will open up with carols.

The 150-place dinner winds up with two English films, one on the London pageantry, the other on old English inns in England and — where else? — in Victoria, B.C.

Manager Cyril Chapman

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Christmas Concert

Rotary Boys' Choir will present its annual Christmas concert in the main lounge of the Empress Hotel from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Christmas Eve.

The concert to be presented by the 32-boy choir is open to the public.

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Sam Lane, proprietor of the Olde English Inn, recited the menu with relish: consomme, celery and olives, roast tom turkey, chestnut stuffing ("the real McCoy"), English plum pudding with (pawpaw) rum sauce, mince pie, nuts, raisins, fruits, coffee.

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Combat-Ready Aircrew Stand Guard at Comox

Vital task of guarding nation's Pacific Coast goes on as usual as Christmas Eve approaches. LAW Peggy Champoux and Flt. Sgt. G. A. Barnes

plot weather conditions for aircraft on ready line. Ground control approach operator Cpl. T. C. Patterson will be on duty throughout the night

Christmas Eve to guide pilots home. Crews on Christmas duty wait out the long night in full flying gear.

Left to right are Flt. Lt. W. A. C.

Wilson, Flt. Lt. D. Broadbent and FO A. Horoshko. Potent Voodoos jets stand at 60-second alert on cold tarmac outside.

Immigration Department Relents, Brother and Sister Are Reunited

NANAIMO — John Tonsetich, who tried for 15 years to get permission from the immigration department to bring his sister, Mrs. Danica Donatjasic of Zagreb, Yugoslavia, to Canada, has succeeded. Permission was finally granted through the efforts of Bus Matthews, former MP for Nanaimo, and the brother and sister have been reunited in time for the Christmas celebrations at the Tonsetich home.

NANAIMO — F. G. Hassard, superintendent of Branscombe Lake school, the staff and their families, and the boys—numbering altogether nearly 300—enjoyed the annual Christmas party at the school. A concert, slides and

a twist contest made up the evening's program.

NANAIMO — B.C. government ferries have increased regular service with extra sailings at 9 a.m., 1 a.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m.

The CP steamship schedule remains unchanged. The boats leave Nanaimo at 8:15 a.m., 3:25 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Buses and ferries are reported

to be already at near capacity.

Around the Island

and 9 p.m. from Nanaimo with the exception of Christmas Day. This service will continue to and including Dec. 27.

The bus service remains unchanged, with buses leaving the terminal every two hours starting at 7:45 a.m.

NANAIMO — Newcastle Reality claims that the Christmas tree on the Sherwood Forest subdivision is the highest in B.C. The volunteer fire department of Departure Bay strung the lights on the tree after dark.

NANAIMO — Phil McKenzie, chairman of the Hub City Kiwanis Club committee in charge of the arrangements for the cavalcade of cars taking part in the Light Up for Christmas campaign, when it makes its tour of the residential districts, will detail the members on their duties at a round table meeting at the Tally Ho on Boxing Day at 6:30 p.m.

NANAIMO — An inquest will be held in about two weeks into the death of Arthur Battley, who died in hospital in Victoria recently.

Mr. Battley, who fell 40 feet while working on a construction job out of Hartman's

was first taken to Nanaimo General Hospital for treatment, and later removed to Victoria. The accident took place Dec. 10.

NANAIMO — Nanaimo Rotary Club had their traditional Christmas musical program Friday, an event that had developed from a small, intimate concert to a full-scale, 70-voice choir.

The Woodlands Junior High School Choir directed by Alastair Highet and accompanied by John Getgood, conductor of the Nanaimo Symphony Orchestra, entertained the club members with a program of special Christmas music.

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NANAIMO — Burglars forcing their way into Lake Cowichan Building Supplies stole an \$85 electric Skill saw and took \$10 worth of silver from the till, police said. The thieves broke the window and unlocked the front door.

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Tomorrow Murray Gibson, two-and-a-half, hangs up his Christmas stocking at 1031
McBriar Avenue. — Photo by Bill Boucher.

Here is Security, Sociability, and a Sweet Contentment

by
VIVIENNE CHADWICK

HOME is a HAVEN

Christmas this year will be a special event for the residents of number 847 Dunsmuir Road, Esquimalt . . . because it will be the first one to be celebrated there, in the Salvation Army's new million dollar Matson Sunset Lodge, long planned but opened only a few short months ago. So there will be all the usual festivities—and a few extras. A soaring tree, gifts for one and all individually chosen, parties for both residents and staff, special visits and concerts, to which many local organizations are contributing. It should constitute a notable "first."

The lodge is under the management of Brigadier and Mrs. Victor Underhill, appointed from Vancouver by Salvation Army headquarters. They have a staff of 42, and their 140 guests comprise 78 women and 62 men. This means that they are full to capacity—and there is a waiting list.

And after an hour or so with Mrs. Underhill, touring the shining new home and visiting with enthusiastic guests, the writer was not surprised.

What has been accomplished here in such a comparatively short time, both in construction and the development of personal relations, is worth seeing.

I think perhaps one of the most important factors that make for general contentment is that the occupants of Matson Lodge have space. It can't be easy to be really old. It must be deadly to be both old and cooped up . . . to have walls too close, and blankness, brick or mortar, just outside the windows. Not here. Here, the tremendous windows of the lounges present sweeping views across the waters of Esquimalt, across the dome of the Parliament Building, across James Bay to the distant Olympics.

A sunporch on an upper floor is like being on the deck of a ship—but for the fact that the tops of trees in the foreground below rise from mossy rocks between the viewer and the sea.

A paved and railed walkway has been laid clear around the grounds, and a rock patio which was part of the gardens of the original residence, and which is now being repaired by one of the guests, reaches out beneath shade trees toward the harbor.

Inside, the effect is just as striking. Except for the garden area in front, facing the water, the building itself is plain almost to the point of severity, but within, the architects have been imaginative and considerate. Nowhere have they lost sight of the purpose behind their designing. The guests may be limited in their activities—age does that—but not in their surroundings. The main lounge is spacious, circular, and two storeys high, with its domed ceiling artistically lit. An intriguing spiral ramp for the benefit of those who don't care for stairs winds easily upward about the perimeter here, and at once brings to mind—to this mind, anyway—thoughts of childhood and roller skating! Comfortable couches stand amid green growing things in wide planters, and there are several canaries.

"Not budgies," pointed out Mrs. Underhill, "because they fly around and present problems."

Clever Planning

This airy rotunda opens into and is part of a second lounge where there is a fireplace, and many easy chairs for many people to enjoy it at once. This again is separated only by accordion doors from the huge, corner dining hall, which thus can double as an auditorium. It is apt now with 38 tables, seating four people each, so that friends may dine together as they please. Here, too, the long

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SPACIOUSNESS with comfort makes the stay of guests enjoyable. From left, Mrs. A. K. Milley, Mrs. E. Briggs, Mrs. C. Moyes and Mrs. A. Rodwell. — Photos by Bill Boucher.

row of windows faces an outdoor patio and the sea. The water-borne traffic, of course, is a continuous source of interest.

In a strategic spot handy to both lounges is an unusually beautiful antique piano, a gift to the Lodge. It has a lovely tone and is kept carefully tuned, because several of the guests play, and play very well. Every morning, said my guide, one of the women pianists and a violinist, a man, practice for an hour or more together, at which time the lounges are full of listeners.

The building is superbly equipped. Adjoining the dining room is a service kitchen done throughout in stainless steel. To this room, from the main kitchen on the floor below, the meals come up in a large lift, and are served hot and with dispatch from metal steam wagons. Mrs. Underhill plans all the menus and handles all the catering—and I could see and smell a dinner coming up that roused both appetite and envy!

Several huge walk-in freezers keep milk, vegetables and meat fresh. The Lodge uses between four and five hundred pounds of potatoes per week, and three 25-pound turkeys. Trays of luscious-looking apricot upside-down cakes that were just out of the oven nearly broke my heart.

Modern laundry, storage rooms, luggage room, tremendous heating plant and workshops are all downstair, and here I met Alec Patterson, the maintenance man, who does a thousand jobs and who is, says Mrs. Underhill, "worth his weight in gold."

The main floor has business offices, reception rooms, a private dining room for special visitors, a doctor's office and surgery, a barber shop where the men can be shaved and the women can get shampoos and permanent waves, and two three-bed infirmaries . . .

although the "Sally Ann" makes it clear when guests are accepted that the Lodge is not equipped as a nursing home, nor can it take people who require much hospitalization.

The second floor is devoted to sleeping quarters and recreation rooms. There is a radio room, with tables for card games, dominos, checkers or what have you. There is a nice-sized theatre like room with a television set . . . and the most popular shows of all are the lights! There is a laundry room for those who like to attend to their own washing and ironing, and there is a sewing room with an electric machine.

A library is now being organized, with both magazines and good books . . . donations of the latter will be particularly appreciated. A tuck shop is planned too—the sign is already on the door—where one may purchase candy bars, writing paper and such like. There are several special smoking rooms, and with an eye to the prevention of possible accidents, the rules forbid smoking anywhere else, except out of doors. There have been smokers who dozed off and set fire to bedspreads and upholsteries!

Proud of Quarters

The private rooms are tasteful, and a source of much pride to their owners. I was urged to "come and see," and had pointed out to me the soft blankets, the view, the easy chair and reading lamp. People have their own radios in their rooms, their pictures and personal treasures. Built-in cabinetwork conserves space.

There are "married quarters," too, and these consist of both sitting room and double bedroom, with hot and cold water. Again I was shown one of these suites by an eager occupant who also stroked soft, new blankets with an affectionate hand and urged my appreciation of "such a lovely yellow." Everything is convenient, practical, and colorful in a muted way.

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SEA VIEW and GARDENS ALL PART OF MATSON SUNSET LODGE CHARM



DAILY their music draws an audience: Mrs. Margaret Laddier and Mrs. Frank Rees.

which is more successful than vivid shades would have been.

On the sleeping floor a nurse is on duty all night and makes the rounds every hour. A janitor, too, checks in regularly at various clock stations throughout the building. Corridors are railed on both sides, as are the bathrooms, and certain of these last have the bath itself set in the centre of the floor, so that in the

event of any sudden attack while bathing, speedy assistance may be rendered from either or both sides. The planners certainly haven't missed much.

Brigadier and Mrs. Underhill have their own suite on the lower floor, facing lawns and sea. They're happy with their pool, they work all hours, both of them, and they have many plans for the future. Mrs. Underhill, for instance, would like to organize an Auxiliary to raise funds for extra luxuries for her guests. "Patio chairs for the summer," she mused wistfully, "would be so nice for them." She is sweet with them all. "Do go in, she had whispered, when they wanted to show me their pretty new rooms, "it'll only take a moment!" Just in case I was in a hurry—which I wasn't!

They have a frightening and very efficient watch dog, too, in the managerial quarters. A black Chihuahua, all of 12 inches long, was friendly enough, but chased me down the corridor with shrill warning barks—just in case I had been tempted to make off with the silver.

Happy Guests

When our tour was finished, the Brigadier took time off to arrange little visits for me with a few of the guests. It was obvious that their contentment with their surroundings was very real.

I had a rewarding conversation with a retired publisher who spoke with wisdom and insight of the spirit he had encountered among his fellow guests. To him, the lodge was more than a place to live. "It's a fellowship," he said.

Another gentleman was spryly dancing with a little girl who had come to see him. "He was 90 last week," someone said. And I was happy to find an old friend of my own there, 86 I think, by now, who inquired gleefully, "Ain't it lovely?"

Last but not least I had a gay little chat with a charming, bright-eyed woman who said, "I was brought up among the trees and lakes of Ontario, and this, with the water and the gar-



BENEDICT CHRISTENSEN, 88, enjoys music with a recent gift radio.

dens is more my home than any place I've ever lived since."

We looked around the bright, circular lounge where we sat, and she saw my gaze caught again by that inviting spiral ramp with its coral-painted wrought-iron railing.

She twinkled at me. "Bicycles?" she suggested wickedly.

"Roller skates," I thought, and she nodded. So we planned to try it together. Maybe next Christmas . . .

In French Canada Christmas Festivities

French Canada celebrates Christmas with a midnight-of-the-night supper.

It's the "Reveillon," a family gathering when savory dishes often prepared weeks ahead of the Yule season from old recipes are served to as many as 40 people at a time.

The automatic freezer and the supermarket have changed many of the customs involved in storing the larder with food for the "Reveillon" festivities. But in rural areas the housewife will start making "tourtières" (spicy pork pies), "cretons" (a French Canadian specialty of seasoned drippings), doughnuts and sugar pieces weeks ahead.

Today turkey is the main course but some still have goose, stuffed with hickory or butter nuts gathered the previous fall in the woods. Dinner will also include wild cherry or ginger wine and spruce beer.

Baking for the Christmas supper will begin as early as Dec. 8, the Roman Catholic holy day of the Immaculate Conception with the daughters and daughters-in-law holding a cooking bee at the parental house.

The "Reveillon" is strictly an adult affair. The children are sent to bed before their parents leave for Midnight Mass. The meal is served about 2 a.m. and is followed by singing and the opening of gifts.

In homes where old traditions linger, children receive their gifts on New Year's Day. The presents are left in socks by the fireplace. And even in the wealthiest homes, the presents will be practical—a sweater, a pair of socks or galoshes.

But the influence of English-speaking Canada has made its mark. Formerly youngsters were told their presents came from the infant Jesus.

Bubble Until Lent

By GERALD DUFF



At a French-Canadian home, children who find a bean in their cake are crowned king or queen.

Today they are up early Christmas morning to see what Santa Claus has brought.

The tree was introduced in Quebec about 50 years ago and like Santa Claus has gained in popularity since.

On Christmas afternoon, the tots will be brought to church where they will leave a donation at the manger for "L'Enfant Jesus."

On New Year's Day the head of the family

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"Well," said the old gypsy fortune teller, "if you're not shot or hanged, you'll live to be a hundred!" He nearly made it, too, did

James

THE FIRST ROCK-HOUND

John Francis Bledsoe arrived in Victoria in 1892 and went to work on *The Daily Colonist*, becoming its mining editor in 1893. This was the time of the great gold excitement in the Kootenay country and Bledsoe went out there to cover the news on the spot. Mines and mining were second nature to him, and his had been a most adventurous life.

He was born in Kentucky in 1855. Just a few miles north of the "Deep South." The American Civil War began in 1861 and Dr. Bledsoe, his father, served as a physician and surgeon in the Confederate Army.

Once the war was over, the doctor decided to head out for California and a new start. He bought a wagon, a team of mules to haul it, loaded it with provisions and personal effects and, together with his son, faced west with a company of other pioneers. No mention of any Mrs. Bledsoe, by the way.

They had camped one night somewhere in Utah, already Mormon country by then, and in the morning the boy woke up to find that his father had died during the dark hours.

Young Jack Bledsoe continued on with the others in the party for a while only to discover that some of them, taking advantage of his youth, were stealing his few possessions, so he decided to sell what was left and strike out on his own.

The local Mormon farmers were kind to him and he worked on one place and another till he fell in with an old prospector, and the ill-tempered pair joined forces. In the course of time, they ran across an abandoned mine showing good galena prospects and sold it for \$15,000 which they split equally.

Young Bledsoe was now about 11 years old, possibly 12!

Sound Advice

The old prospector had good advice for the boy. "Get yourself an education," he advised him. "You'll see that the man with no education is down in the shaft swinging a pick while the educated man stays on top telling him what to do."

Apparently Bledsoe saw the wisdom of this advice. What is more, he seems to have hung on to his money, for a bit later he put himself through Utah State University, taking a course in mineralogy. He found mines, metals, and minerals very much to his taste and for the next few years spent his time prospecting—in Mexico, the western states, California, joining up with a partner here and another one there, always moving, always seeking and adding to his collection of rare and beautiful mineral specimens.

At one point in Montana, he came across a deposit of "jade,"

ANAGRAMS ANSWERS

- (1) HIERARCHY
- (2) DICTATOR
- (3) MILITANT
- (4) TUTELAGE
- (5) INVERGIL

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at Aldergrove, just south of Calgary, and now he is in charge of the Provincial Dinosaurs Park and Museum at Patricia, Alta. He was here in Victoria not long ago and I drove down to Clover Point with him, showed him approximately where James Douglas had landed in March, 1842, when he was looking for a site on which to establish a new fort for the Hudson's Bay Company, and I explained the origin of the name "Clover Point." It was so called because the local Indians had there a bed of wild clover which they tended and weeded. The clover roots, washed

Warned in Time

In June, 1876, he and a partner were working in the same area when a troop of U.S. Cavalry trotted into their camp, warned them that the Indians were on the war path and advised them to hit for the nearest army post. This they did, and, only the next day, learned of the Custer massacre.

Shortly before this, Bledsoe had added another string to his bow, that of writing and reporting. He would drift into the office of some small town newspaper, tell the editor that he was a newspaperman and wanted a job, handing him a good news story as he did so. Nearly always he was asked to write more of the same and so he worked his way across country, going where he would, supporting his prospecting ventures by his writing, a slave to no man. The first paper he worked on was in Cherry Creek, Colorado, in 1875. Today Cherry Creek is known as Denver.

It was newspaper work that brought him to Victoria in 1882 and apparently he never left Canada after that. He became a Canadian citizen about 1900. He stayed with *The Colonist* for years, one of the last of the old-time, hard-hitting reporters of the early part of this century. Some of our old-timers in Victoria may remember them: Henry Lawson, editor; Charlie Gibbons, city editor; John Morris, night editor; and Billy Pitts, business manager. Others were Alexander Fultz, Oscar Lewis and C. Del Smith.

Examples on Display

Though now a full-time newspaperman, Bledsoe never lost his interest in minerals and mining. For years he had collected specimens, many of which he cut and polished. He was a skillful lapidary and his beautiful gems and semi-precious stones were much admired. Some of his large collection is on exhibition in the Provincial Museum. His home at 240 Cook Street was not far from the beach and here he wandered for hours, seeking agates and other stones that he could work with.

Surly coincidence is one of the strangest of all the peculiar phenomena that surround our lives. Some of you may have met Roy Fowler. He used to have a farm



JOHN F. BLEDSOE

and dipped in oil, were used as a food. They didn't really practise agriculture, or even gardening, but it was a step in that direction.

"Did you ever hear of a man named Bledsoe?" Roy asked me. "He's said to have dug a mine somewhere along the shore hereabouts."

I answered that I had heard of him but that my information was scrappy, and we drove on to my home on the east side of Foul Bay. We went down to the beach and looked at the situation and polish left by the ice a few thousand years ago, and then we stood on the edge of a squarish hole in the outcropping bed rock. It was a minute or so before Roy noticed it.

"What's this?" he asked. "Looks like a mine."

"It is," I agreed. "People round here call it Bledsoe's mine. See, there's the quartz vein he was following, running from one side to the other. Some say he thought he had silver, others say gold. He went down about 16 feet, but after he abandoned it, it became a danger to children roaming the beach so people living nearby filled it nearly full of rocks and logs."

Whether it really was Bledsoe who dug it I have not yet been able to discover. Legend has it that the miner had a cabin nearby, within a hundred feet of the shaft, and that he had a piano in it, and also

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a boat. Then one day, the tale goes, he got in his boat and sailed away, leaving cabin, piano, and everything else behind him.

Now that can't have been Bledsoe, for when he died he was living at 240 Cook Street, and not in a cabin on Foul Bay. One of these days, another coincidence may lead me to facts that will clear up this minor mystery.

Proud Association

As he advanced in years he became somewhat of a recluse, less well than he had been, and quite absorbed in his lapidary work. He became familiar to many as the "Old Rock Man." Still tall and sturdy, a very strong man in his prime, now with a bushy white beard, he was well known all along the beach. He had held many positions in his time and had worked at many trades: miner, cowboy, teacher, magistrate, sandhog, politician, gem collector. For a time he was fisheries inspector for the west coast of Vancouver Island.

He was 96, not quite the hundred the gypsy predicted, when he died. The Masons held a service for him and then his body was cremated and sent to Port Alberni where a second service was held, on Oct. 11, 1949.

Towards his later years, when he had more time for reading, he developed a great interest in occultism and mysticism, as well as more practical subjects such as geology and astronomy. Languages, too, interested him. Chinese he declared was too complex, but he found Greek fascinating.

But always minerals came first in his life, and one of his proud boasts was that he had been elected a member of the "Old-time Mineralogists" in the United States. What distinction could give more pleasure to the First Rock Hound?



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James K. Nesbitt Talks of a Time When One Could Get

Christmas Dinner for 50 Cents

On special instructions of The Islander editor, I went searching in THE COLONIST files to see what Christmas was like in the long ago.

Actually, very little fuss seems to have been made of Christmas compared to today. The stores did a minimum of advertising, prices were practically never mentioned in print, but there were crowds on the street and then, as now, they were laden down with bundles.

It was Christmas of 1899. The war was on in South Africa and a number of young Victoria fellows, including Victor Spencer and Tom Pooley, were there. The Yukon gold rush was on, too, and Victoria that Christmas had many visitors from the Klondike, men who had struck it rich the summer before and could be idle all winter, put up at the D'illard and the Clarence. The sealing fleet was home and the captains and sailors gave to this place a salty flavor.

Victoria was a small town, and everyone knew everyone—or just about. There were concerts and dances and church services, and much home visiting. There was no problem of driving in those days. The street cars had come, and they were still a novelty—and people were actually sending greetings to each other on that new-fangled contraption, the telephone, although that was not looked upon as too good form. It was more polite to call and leave your card.

From time to time in these articles we have printed the restaurant menus in the Victoria restaurants of old. Always they make a great hit. More than one person has called to ask if I had manufactured them, and I have always replied, "no," they can be seen in newspaper advertisements in the B.C. Archives files.

Here's the menu for the Bank Exchange Restaurant for the Christmas season of 1899—price 50 cents, and all you could eat—

SOUP

Mock Turtle, Macaroni, Consomme.

RELISHES

Celery, Dill Pickles, Green Onions, Beets, radishes.

FISH

Boiled Fresh Cod, Lobster Sauce, Fried Small Sole, Tartar Sauce.

BOILED

Ox Tongue and Spinach.

ENTREES

Oyster Patties, Kidney Souffle and Mushrooms, Calf's Head à la Poulette, Chicken Fricassee, Green Peas.

SALAD

Crab Mayonnaise.

ROAST

Beef and Yorkshire Pudding, Stuffed Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, Buckling Pig, Apple Sauce.

VEGETABLES

Brussels Sprouts, Sweet Corn, String Beans, Boiled, Mashed, Browned and Sweet Potatoes.

DESSERT

English Plum Pudding, Brandy Custard, Charlotte Russe, Mince, Apple, Raspberry Pie.

Glass of Beer or Wine, Tea or Coffee.

Imported and Domestic Cheese.

Assorted Fruits, Nuts, etc.

Yes, that's what it said—PRICE 50 CENTS!

The Westside ladies' emporium, advertised prices a little. I see you could buy a grey opossum collar from \$2 to \$5, and there were lynx collarettes to \$4.50 and lynx cuffs to match at the same price.

The Divi H. Ross provisions establishment, which catered to the high society of Victoria advertised:

"French crystallized fruit, 35 cents a dozen; Malaga table raisins, 25 cents pound; assorted



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES ALEXANDER . . . they were a colored couple, but their gifts were gold.

French nuts, 15 cents pound; Crosse and Blackwell plum pudding, 35 cents tin; new McLaren's cheese, 35 cents jar; mincemeat, five-pound pails, 75 cents; fresh Island eggs, 40 cents dozen; Morgan's eastern oysters, 75 cents a tin."

I was interested to read that on that Christmas day 63 years ago a well-known and much respected couple marked the golden anniversary of their wedding.

The Colonist made quite a to do about it: "GOLDEN WEDDING — Unusual celebration held at Lake Hill—On Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alexander of Lake Hill, formerly of Saanich were married in 1839 in Springfield, Illinois. Twelve children were born to them, of whom seven are still living, and besides, they have 21 grandchildren. With the exception of one daughter, all were present at the celebration, for which the home was very prettily decorated. The couple came to Victoria in 1858 and have since resided on the island.

"The health of the couple was proponed by Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, who congratulated them on the event, one of the few of the kind ever held in this section of the country. He spoke of the esteem in which they were held, and hoped they would long be spared. The evening was spent, after a glorious supper, in singing and dancing, the merry party not ending up 'till the early hours in the morning."

Everyone went to the Alexander party bearing presents. It was quite a gathering: Mrs. G. A. McTavish and Mrs. W. R. Higgins, gold belt; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Clinton, gold ice cream dish; Mrs. C. Spotts, gold mug; Mrs. Charles Hayward, gold flower pot; Mrs. T. W. Pierre, gold tea set; Mr. and Mrs. Noah Shakespeare, gold salad spoons; Mr. and Mrs. A. Barnwell, pair gold mugs; Mrs. L. A. Booth, pair gold vases; the Misses Tolmie, gold brooch; Dr. and Mrs. S. F. Tolmie, gold picture frame; Mr. and Mrs. H. Dallas Helmcken, gold spoons; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Ker, pincushion.

The big musical event of that Christmas week in the last year of the old century was "before a fashionable audience in Institute Hall," when Sir William Sterndale Bennett's pastoral "The May Queen," was given in aid of the orphans by the Victoria Philharmonic Society, under the direction of F. Victor Austin. The Colonist said, "The gem of the evening . . . an evening replete with musical excellencies . . . was undoubtedly the solo taken by Mr. A. T. Goward, an achievement of which many of the world famous tenors would not be ashamed, and his other efforts during the rendition of the beautiful composition were likewise praiseworthy.

"Miss Sophie McNiffle, who essayed the part of the May Queen, was in excellent voice, and though evidently suffering from nervousness to a slight degree, sang with delightful charm and sweetness."

The Fifth Regiment ball was in the Drill Hall on Menzies Street, now the government's motor vehicles office. The Colonist said "There must have been 1,500, if no more present, and of these the large majority participated in the dances. Even at this the floor was not overcrowded, and with the splendid music provided by the Fifth Regiment orchestra, and the attention bestowed on the guests by the members of the committee, all were made to enjoy themselves. The list of guests included Lieutenant-Governor T. R. McInnes, Mayor C. E. Redfern, U.S. Consul Smith, and many others, all of whom took a hand in the general good time.

"Corp. J. A. McTavish was chiefly responsible for the decorations, which reflected much credit on himself and his energetic committee. Sergeant Major Mulcahy was master of ceremonies, Gunner Williams, chairman, and Sergt. C. J. Holley, secretary of the general committee, while Gunner Stevenson had charge of the supper room and performed his duties well."

Perhaps the best picture of Victoria that Christmas of 1899 is contained in a Colonist article. When I read it I somehow was able to grasp a little of Christmas that year.

I think you will, too. Here it is:

"Christmas Eve in Victoria. Should anyone have had serious doubts as to the continued power of the magic of Christmas-tide, yesterday's experience must certainly have saved him from the backslider's fate. Everyone was affected and even the war was for the time being forgotten in preparations for the festival of the Prince of Peace.

"For the first time in weeks the stereotyped enquiry 'Any news from South Africa?' gave place to the handsome 'Merry Christmas,' while smiles of innocent, honest happiness succeeded anxious looks. It's a good thing to have a Christmas if only to make everyone feel young again.

"And such a crowd as it was last evening! The streets were a motley mixture of hurrying pedestrians and odd-shaped parcels done up in brown paper. Any man or woman without at least two or three bundles was as hopelessly lost as a country dog in the city, and luckily the poundkeeper would have been out of a position.

"Men and women who, under ordinary circumstances, would have felt themselves everlastingly disgraced in the jorgent eyes of society, wrangled with bags and boxes, even longing for the multitudinous arms of Buddha that they might carry more. Truly, we're an odd lot, and full of contradictions.

"The toy stores were, of course, the centres of densest population, and yet it was not the children who were out to scramble for the brilliant jumping-jack and the peroxide-headed doll. Staid businessmen and decorous matrons held the fort, and they bought things, too, dolls and little wheelbarrows and woolly sheep and swords and trumpets and drums, although no

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The Stranger Said He was Hunting

THE POLICE WERE BAFFLED BY TENDERFOOT TRAVELLER

Steadily gaining reputation in recent years as a fisherman's paradise, the holiday resort of Fort St. James on Stuart Lake, west of Prince George, is not only famous for its king-sized trout and moose but also for its little-advertised historic background.

Few people know that here in June, 1866, only eight months after the battle of Waterloo, Stuart Lake's Indians saw their first white men, traders of the Northwest Fur Co., who arrived down the river in two big canoes.

On landing they fired a musket volley in the air, which caused the awe-stricken Carriers to drop on their faces in sudden fright. Later when the newcomers lit their pipes, the Indians realized at last who they were.

"They're ghosts from the nether world," said one of the medicine men, "and they're still breathing the smoke of fires that somehow failed to cremate them."

Here the second trading post in B.C. was built, within which 22 years later a company check named James Douglas narrowly escaped death at the hands of an enraged mob of armed warriors who crashed the gate. As young Douglas was spread-eagled on a table in the grip of half-a-dozen muscular braves, the point of the chief's dagger tickled his throat. Douglas' 16-year-old bride of a few months provided the distraction that saved his life. Otherwise our history might have been differently written.

Descendants of the original native welcome committee still live at Tachi and Pinchi on the shores of Stuart Lake, and since the day of the first pipe-smoking visitors have had many an occasion to further view bits of the white man's hocus-pocus.

One in particular I have in mind, and one with wartime overtones, occurred in 1944. This time it wasn't pipe-smoking! For into their midst that year came a white man who not only puzzled the tribesmen but for a while also puzzled the local policeman, a gentleman named E. E. "Val" Munkley.

Missing American

IT WAS ON A SUMMER AFTERNOON in that year that Provincial Constable Munkley returned to his post at Fort St. James after a long and arduous bush patrol. No sooner was he back than he got word from his federal contemporary in the village, Dominion Constable Lee Cochrane, of a rather peculiar incident.

Seems that a few days before an American army officer had borrowed a Peterborough canoe from Indian big game guide John Prince, and set off up the lake.

Since his departure there had been one of Stuart Lake's well-known fierce and sudden squalls, and it naturally occurred to Munkley and Cochrane that the stranger might have got into difficulties. After all, a Peterborough is a pretty frail craft, and Stuart Lake, 55 miles long and six to 12 miles wide, can develop into a pretty dirty stretch of water.

A TRUE STORY

By

CECIL CLARK



Mr. Clark
retired as
assistant
commissioner of
the old B.C. Prov-
incial Police at
the time of its
disbandment
and the
assumption of
provincial
responsibilities
by the RCMP.

Illustration by

Joan Smith

Munkley first checked the register at the hotel where he noted that Lieut. E. S. Smith, U.S. Army, had been registered for a few days. Then he loaded his police boat, a 33-foot outboard-powered river craft, and early next morning he and Cochrane set off. They were 20 miles up the lake when they spotted the canoe on the shoreline. Landing near it, they saw no one around but apparently the stranger they were seeking hadn't fallen out of his craft, for they found his paddles high up on the bank where he apparently dropped them side by side.

It was only four miles further to Pinchi village and when the policemen got there they found all the villagers absent except one old man. Old Antoine said he heard his dogs barking around daylight and when he investigated saw a white man stranded on the opposite bank of Pinchi Creek. He went over in his dugout, discovering that the stranger wore an army uniform with low shoes, and in addition had no pack, no blankets and no grub. It was a circumstance perhaps the old fellow regarded without suspicion, for in 1866 his people had appraised a good many white visitors as slightly "mesanche" (mad).

"I DO BELIEVE THIS GUY'S out of his mind," remarked Munkley to his bush-wise companion when he heard the story, "or else he's running away from something." As according to Antoine the stranger had gone "that-a-way," the police boat cruised the shore line until it got to Tachi Reserve at the mouth of Tachi River, 20 miles up lake from Fort St. James. Again it was squally with a wicked sea and with the twin propellers out of the water most of the time. Const. Munkley spent an interesting moment or two dodging the sand bars that make the river mouth a hazard.

Finally, spray-soaked and tired, the two men made a landing and a little later were checking with Steve Snodl, not only a big game guide (and authority on Canada geese) but also operator of the Takla Trading Company. Steve hadn't seen anything of a stranger in uniform but would keep his ears and eyes open.

It didn't take the police officers long to hire a couple of Indian horses from the nearby village, and soon they were back tramping on the trail to Pinchi. After about eight miles, Cochrane in the lead, suddenly raised his hand to call a halt. From the middle of a cantering horse his bush-trained eye had caught an alien imprint at the side of the trail, the heel mark of an oxford shoe.

Visitor at Tachi

BACK UP THE TRAIL the pair followed the occasional telltale prints until they came to a place where the owner had evidently stepped into the brush. Had it been on account of the approaching horses? Or had he doubted back to Tachi? Somehow it looked like it. The horseman turned about and a couple of miles from the village were met by an Indian on a hard ridden cayuse. He told them that the stranger they were looking for was back at Tachi.

It was in Snodl's store they found him, ravenously wolfing away at some food Steve had prepared. With a sideways jerk of his head the old trader motioned the police officers outside where there was urgency in his whisper: "You'd better get this guy out of the country. He's crazy; he says he's going to Bear Lake."

Bear Lake? That was 200 miles north and such a trip to the unequipped and inexperienced could mean possible death by injury or starvation.

When finally he finished his meal the stranger introduced himself merely as Lieutenant Smith of the U.S. Army, but as for the reason for his being in the wilderness he was singularly uninformative. Curiously enough, though, it was wartime, neither could he furnish any form of identification. It puzzled Munkley who talked it over on the side with Cochrane and then finally told Smith: when he re-entered the store, "I think you'd better come back with us to Fort St. James. You just can't travel alone in this country the way you are."

SMITH MORE OR LESS AGREED and the squall having subsided the trio pushed on down the lake. Smith sitting amidships seem-

ingly wrapped in his coat eight miles from the mouth of the lake tapped Munkley on the shoulder and said, "There's a roar of the outboard motor coming from the head of the lake."

Once the boat came into view in the rather serious mood Cochrane in on a trail with the U.S. Military Intelligence, and had been sent to trace a secret submarine message to the Japanese. Tokyo had been informed of the importance to track down the Japanese among other things, a submarine, a troop and aircraft.

He had really given up, on to abandon the idea of impression that he was highly necessary. A spy had followed him and might even now be following him.

For proof of his identity he had under a nearby log covering, an identity card of Lieut. E. S. Smith. In the nearby brush camp, he showed his card, operated radio transmitter and set up.

It was a story in a manner that Munkley blundered; still, however, he was not of the improbable. Anyway there was always Prince's chance, or perhaps.

Erasing

ALL THE REST drowned on down the lake. They arrived at Fort St. James. After a good hot bath, throwing questions around the office clock, pressing question, Steve told them the matter of discussion. Occasionaly they told them in no uncertain terms, "We're paying into these things to provoke international incidents, the highest possible level of Washington."

It was during this discussion that Smith mentioned the name of a high ranking Canadian army at Fort St. James. Happened to know the name.

It was all mighty well, some sort of a hunch. Mr. Smith where he possibly reach him, we'll see.

At this move Smith was no bounds until Munkley stopped him up.

Next morning when the office opened a wire came in from the answer that he had never heard of Steve Snodl and Naval Intelligence.

Indignant

MUNKLEY GAVE NEWS with his broadest smile, tenant instantly reacted.

"Why, of course he knows me! We arranged to meet in Vancouver!"

"My presence in Vancouver is not on account of the sake, man don't send."

If Munkley was, didn't show it as later up with a few office NCOs by wire what went over to check privately-owned airway. There he found a pilot, tinkering with the engine. Munkley chatted with him in the presence of the U.S. pilot, who had cropped up. Built up a lot of information whether it was some

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An Enemy Agent's Radio Station

ingly wrapped in his thoughts. It was about eight miles from Tachi when suddenly he tapped Munkley on the shoulder, and above the roar of the outboards, asked the policeman to head in to shore.

Once the boat was beached, it was in a rather serious mood that he let Munkley and Corrane in on a top priority secret. He was with the U.S. Military Intelligence, he told them, and had been assigned the job of trying to trace a secret short wave transmitter whose messages to the Japanese secret service in Tokyo had been intercepted. It was of prime importance to track down this transmitter for, among other things, its messages concerned troop and aircraft movements to Alaska.

He had really gone up the lake, he went on, to abandon the canoe and thus create the impression that he had been drowned. This was highly necessary for an enemy counter spy had followed him as far as Prince George, and might even now be in Fort St. James!

For proof of his movements he drew from under a nearby log, wrapped in waterproof covering, an identification card in the name of Lieut. E. S. Smith, U.S. Army. . . . Further in the nearby brush, near the remains of a camp, he showed where a small battery operated radio transmitter had once been set up.

It was a story told in such convincing manner that Munkley began to think he had blundered; still, however, there was just a hint of the improbable in the explanation. Anyway there was also the matter of returning Prince's canoe, or paying for its loss.

Erasure Answers

ALL THE REST of the day the police boat drownded on down the lake until finally they arrived at Fort St. James around midnight. After a good hot meal, Munkley continued throwing questions at Smith until the hands on the office clock said 2 a.m. To every pressing question Smith either covered up or told them the matter was much too secret for discussion. Occasionally he had to remind them, in no uncertain terms, that further prying into these matters was bound to provoke international complications at the highest possible level both in Ottawa and Washington.

It was during the course of the questioning that Smith mentioned, by way of reference, the name of a high ranking officer in the Canadian army at Vancouver, and Munkley happened to know the officer!

It was all mighty queer, but still playing some sort of a hunch Munkley decided to put Mr. Smith where no enemy agent could possibly reach him, which was in a cell!

At this move Smith's indignation knew no bounds until Munkley had to finally smother his violent protestations by forcibly locking him up.

Next morning when the local telegraph office opened a wire to Vancouver brought back the answer that the Vancouver brigadier had never heard of Smith, but that U.S. Army and Naval Intelligence were being checked.

Indignant Reaction

MUNKLEY GAVE SMITH THE BAD NEWS with his breakfast tray, but the Lieutenant instantly reacted with an impassioned:

"Why, of course he's not going to say he knows me! We arranged all that before I left Vancouver!"

"My presence in B.C." he went on hotly. "must on no account be divulged! For heaven's sake, man don't send any more telegrams!"

If Munkley was slightly disturbed he didn't show it as later that morning he caught up with a few office matrons, told his district NCO by wire what was going on, then later went over to check on something at the privately-owned airways base on the lake front. There he found a pal of his, a well-known bush pilot, tinkering with one of the aircraft. Munkley chatted with him for a minute, then the presence of the U.S. Army officer in their midst cropped up. Bush pilots of course pick up a lot of information in their travels, and whether it was something to do with Smith



The guide thought the hungry traveller was mad.

or not, suddenly there appeared a slow grin of satisfaction on the face of the listening Munkley. Half an hour later came a telegram from his district NCO at Prince George telling him to bring Smith to headquarters.

When Smith finally stood before the desk of Sgt. C. W. A. "Bert" Barwes (Royal Military College graduate and ex-Indian army officer) the sergeant's direct and penetrating questions got the same evasive answers that Munkley had experienced.

It was during a momentary lull in Barwes' interrogation that Munkley suddenly asked Smith if he'd ever done any flying.

"I certainly have," said the young lieutenant.

"Then I guess you're up to date on the latest aircraft," continued Munkley.

Smith admitted that he was.

"When you were talking to that pilot at the airways base at Fort St. James," pursued Munkley, "you told him you'd flown the P-63 pursuit fighter."

"That right," admitted Smith.

"But you wouldn't compare the P-63 for speed with the Fairchild 82 would you?"

"No, of course not," agreed Smith, "the Fairchild 82 is away faster."

Interrogation Trap

BARWES MEANTIME LOOKED quizzically from one to the other sensing perhaps that somewhere or another he'd lost the ball. Munkley relieved his mind with the next remark:

"I guess that proves you a liar, Smith," he remarked quietly. "The man you spoke to at the Airways base was working on a Fairchild 82. It's a slow plane for bush flying!"

The pause that followed seemed pregnant with Smith's unspoken thoughts. Then finally he shrugged his shoulders with the morose

remark, "Okay, you win. I'm a Canadian, and I deserted from the Canadian army in Ontario three years ago."

He went on to tell them that he acquired the U.S. army officer's uniform a few months before from a merchant seaman in Vancouver. The uniform and identification card had cost him \$20.

Perhaps the tale of the man in search of Stuart Lake's hidden radio transmitter is now another of the tribal tales they tell around the shore line fires at Tachi and Pinehi; along of course with that age-old story of the ghosts who once appeared still breathing through their mouths evidence of the cremation fires that they somehow escaped!

It's all akin to messages sent without wires, and men who fly through the sky, all the rest of those strange things that make life interesting to the Carriers of Stuart Lake.

THIS WEEK'S ANAGRAM

How is your vocabulary? There is no better or more fascinating way to improve it than by solving these anagrams each week. Add the letters in the first column to the letters in the second column and rearrange the letters so as to form a new word. EXAMPLE: FEND plus SEE equals ??? ANWEE: DEFENSE. Can you solve the following anagrams?

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| (5) LINE | " | GIVE | " | " |

Anagram answers on

There is no new way to say Merry Christmas . . . and thank God for that. In our changed and changing world where we are always trying to find new and novel ways to do and say everything Christmas stands out as something solid and changeless, something timeless and eternal.

Christmas needs no slogan or sales effort. No "commercial" could lend new glamour to its ancient magic. Wars have razed cities and destroyed their people but Christmas has remained indestructible. In a world awry with changes, we give thanks for one precious permanency. And so, in the same old way and in the same old words we say Merry Christmas to the faithful friends of this column . . . may the flame of your hearth be a reflection of the Star that guided the Wise Men to the manger.

Besides the intangibles of Christmas we love the gaity and all the silly, frivolous tangible symbols . . . the Christmas tree, the jovial Santa, the stockings hung by the chimney with care, the heart-warming cards and letters, the ribboned gifts, the tinsel and tall candles.

We love the festive foods of Christmas . . . the turkey and ham, the cakes and puddings and the cup that cheers. We love the warm friendliness of Christmas hospitality when every housewife puts her best food forward.

With Christmas only a breath away most of the holiday baking has been done but there are always those last-minute items that we like to

SWEET TREATS for

leave to the very end. Heavenly Ambrosia is a delectable, eye-catching dessert that can be whipped up in minutes. The orange has always been a traditional Christmas fruit in Europe and we, here in Canada, know there is no better season for enjoying this luscious fruit. One of the most delicious ways of using golden oranges is in this classic dessert called Ambrosia.

Besides sweet orange sections we will use some tart grapefruit chunks and some refreshing, bright orange bites of tangerine or Japanese oranges. You can of course vary Ambrosia by adding banana slices, red apple slices, grapes or berries. Another version calls for the addition of toasted marshmallows and pecana. Whichever version you choose, you'll find this a delightful dessert for serving with fruit cake or your Christmas cookies.

HEAVENLY AMBROSIA . . . To section oranges and grapefruit, peel and take off all the white membrane. Cut along the side of each dividing membrane from outside to middle of core. Remove section by section over a bowl to retain juice. Or slice peeled oranges or grapefruit crosswise one-quarter inch thick. A good sharp paring knife is necessary. For the tangerines or Japanese oranges remove the skin and as much white membrane as possible, section, and cut each section in half with

scissors. Combine all the fruit, sprinkle with sugar and scatter sweet shredded coconut or Angel Flake coconut over the top. Chill well before serving.

Curried fruit is delicious as well as being an eye-catching garnish. It can be used hot with hot ham, chicken or duck and it is just as delicious served with any cold cuts. Drain a tin each of pear and peach halves, a tin of pineapple slices and a dozen or so maraschino cherries with the stems on. (Use the juice for punch and fruit drinks). Place the well-drained fruit in a shallow baking pan. In a small pan melt one-quarter pound butter, add one-half cup brown sugar firmly packed and two teaspoons curry powder. Spoon this over the fruit. Bake in a 325° oven for about an hour basting several times.

CRANBERRIES IN PORT WINE make a fine conversation piece. This recipe comes from Madam Benoit of CBC fame. Ingredients . . . one pound fresh cranberries, one cup seedless raisins, one-half cup port, one lemon, one cup sugar, one-eighth teaspoon salt and a pinch of powdered cardamom (the cardamom is optional but it does give a lovely flavor).

Wash the seeds the raisins and cranberries in the port before serving. Cool. Cut the lemon and remove the seeds. Put berries, raisins and lemon in a grinder, using the masher. Add sugar, port (drained) and cardamom. Put in a stand 12 to 24 hours.

Now here is an interesting idea around your plum pud-

SPICED STUFFED JAR syrup of four cups brown sugar, five cups water, two cups cloves and two tablespoons cinnamon. Now add one cup of an orange and half a cup of prunes. (With peel left on) and boil for one hour. Cool. Remove the stems and stuff each with a mixture of the prunes, fruit slices and ginger in a wide-mouth glass jar.

It's Called Heavenly Ambrosia



With a spicy fruit cake, serve the holiday classic dessert pictured here. Muriel Wilson's recipe is the first above. Heavenly Ambrosia can be made in a dozen ways, but basically it contains oranges, grapefruit and tangerines, topped with shredded coconut.

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DEAR HELOISE:

If you have a bunch of kids . . . don't throw that old card table away. Saw off the four legs to a length of about twelve inches. This makes an excellent play table for the kiddies. It saves crayon marks on that good card table.

The children can sit on the floor and use this table to eat or to play on. My children get a great kick out of this. When the weather permits I put the table on the front porch and this gets the children out of the house.

Before picking up that



saw, let me caution you about one thing: Don't make

the legs any shorter than 12 inches because, remember, the child must get his knees under the table.

Mother

DEAR HELOISE: By chance, I picked up a piece of styrene which is used in many kinds of packaging . . . and I used it to scrub the bathtub.

Just a little soap and powder and the styrene, and my tub was spotless. The styrene does not absorb water and the powder stays right in contact with the surface instead of soaking in as with a sponge.

It also scrubs copper-bottomed pans. Maynard R. Hartings



DEAR HELOISE:

Pecans, when removed from their shells, should be put in fruit jars with a tight screw lid and kept in the refrigerator. This will keep them from becoming rancid.

DEAR HELOISE:

Mothers who have sons and boys who just will get their blue jeans (wherever earth it comes from, I'll

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MURIEL WILSON'S THOUGHT for FOOD

'Now, mark that Holy Day with love and gaiety...'

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Now here is an interesting garnish to serve around your plum pudding...

SPICED STUFFED PRUNES . . . Make a syrup of four cups brown sugar, one cup vinegar, five cups water, two cinnamon sticks, 12 whole cloves and two tablespoons dark honey. Boil 15 minutes. Now add one pound of large prunes, half an orange and half a lemon, both finely sliced (with peel left on) and continue to boil gently for one hour. Cool. Remove the pits from the prunes and stuff each with a ball of almond paste. Put the prunes, fruit slices and three pieces of candied ginger in a wide-mouth glass jar. Pour one-quarter

cup rum over the prunes and then pour in the spiced syrup. Seal and refrigerate. Before flaming the pudding, arrange the drained prunes around it on a bed of holly.

Every meal is enhanced by the coffee that comes after. Always bring your party to a fine climax by serving a splendid brew. Sometimes it is fun to put a touch of drama into our hostess-

ing . . . And is there anything more dramatic than "Irish Coffee?"

First a stemmed goblet is heated and sugar (to taste) placed in the glass. In Ireland they use brown sugar. Next, coffee is poured in, quickly followed by the whisky (about two tablespoons per glass). Finally the whole is topped with thick, thick cream. In this country we use softly whipped cream, about an inch deep.

BRIDE'S CORNER

SERVE the breakfast grapefruit hot . . . prepare grapefruit halves then sprinkle with brown sugar and a tablespoon of sherry. Broil until bubbly. Maraschino juice, either red or green may be used in place of the sherry. USE RED or green maraschino cherry juice to flavor and color ices.

A FESTIVE SAUCE to use over vanilla ice cream . . . one-half cup blanched and silvered almonds, three tablespoons brandy or rum and one-and-a-half cups strawberry jam or

thawed frozen strawberries. Chill well before using.

FRUIT CAKE will cut better if chilled first in the refrigerator.

FOR FLUFFY mashed potatoes add a teaspoon of baking powder to them.

USE LEFTOVER sweet pickle vinegar for basting a ham.

From my kitchen to your kitchen and tied with a big red bow

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

HELP FOR HOMEMAKERS

DEAR HELOISE:

If a young'un must stay in bed due to illness . . . try serving fruit juices or liquids in a half-pint mason jar!

Screw the lid on the jar and punch a hole with your ice pick, large enough to permit entry of a soda straw. This prevents spilling on bed linens! Also the kids love it.

A. H.



MUTCHACKER TREAT



slip the pin over the line. I haven't lost a sock yet.

Norma Spiewak

DEAR HELOISE:

know) might like to know that I remove it with turpentine. Just saturate the spot and rub it in well. Wash as usual to remove any turpentine.

Five Boys' Mother

DEAR HELOISE:

To remove paint or stain from the outside brick on your home, rub it with another brick of the same type and color.

Patsy W. Webb

DEAR HELOISE:

When I wash my one-year-old socks . . . I pin them together before tossing them into the washing machine. When I hang them out to dry, I leave them on the pin, and

CARPET FUZZ

To remove stubborn fuzz that your vacuum cleaner will not pick up, simply moisten a scrubbing brush with water and gently brush your carpets in a circular motion. This will create small "balls" which are then easy to pick up.

Joan Maguire

DEAR HELOISE:

Pecans, when removed from their shells, should be put in fruit jars with a tight screw lid and kept in the refrigerator. This will keep them from becoming rancid.

—O. O.

DEAR HELOISE:

Mother's who have little boys who just will get tar on their blue jeans (where on earth it comes from, I'll never

start cleaning in a new area. Every area gets that first treatment eventually!

Mrs. Philip Smith

FOR ONION LOVERS.



DEAR HELOISE:

Stale, dried-up cheese turns into a delicious spread when placed into the meat grinder with a few chunks of raw onion.

Veronica Groaty

DEAR HELOISE:

I keep sugar in a large shaker for sprinkling cookies, pies, etc. This sprinkles more evenly than when the fingers are used and there is far less waste.

Mrs. Dolezal

DEAR HELOISE:

I don't know how I got through 27 years of housekeeping without your column. I have learned so much.

Try a layer of facial tissue in the strainer basket of your bacon and grease can. Not a particle of anything solid goes through! I keep a supply of facial tissues in the kitchen.

They are good for straining any watery liquid. For anything else you want to strain, just pop a tissue into your tea strainer and strain away!

Wash your tea strainer occasionally with a stiff brush. An old toothbrush is excellent for this.

Mrs. B.

DEAR HELOISE:

I am a "Scotchman" and I practice being one. Let me list some of my "string-saving ideas" . . .

Those old adhesive tape tins are ideal for your wife's tape measure or Christmas ribbons. Save the thick rubber bands off bunches of carrots and celery. These are ideal for "pony tails".

Did you know that your children's box of broken crayons could be saved and melted down again? If they are mixed, they still color well for dark backgrounds on large drawings.

"Scotchman"

BERT BINNY DISCUSSES A TEACUP TEMPEST

This is being written in the midst of a crisis. Everything is so exciting that it is hard to remain coherent, let alone to spell correctly or to grammatically write.

Without doubt the matter is just about the gravest that has stirred our citizenry in years. Everything that we hold dear, such as our city council, our retail merchants association, our sky diving club, our marching mothers, faltering fathers, big brothers and saucy sisters are all deeply involved.

Outright war may, possibly, be averted. It was with a sigh of relief—so prodigious that it rattled a plate glass window—that we learned of a meeting at the highest level to be held between the parties apparently in contention. Nevertheless, forces are mobilizing, strategies are being planned and there have been sharp skirmishes already.

Of course, I do not refer to the Cuban crisis, the Indian Chinese crisis, Berlin. Strangely enough, this menacing situation centres around the proper celebration of a birth which was once heralded by the voices of angels: "Peace on earth! Goodwill towards men!"

But of such odd and anomalous circumstances in life composed.

Young Lachinvar, noted Sir Walter Scott, came out of the West which, speaking Victoria-wise would mean out of Esquimalt, View Royal or possibly Goldstream. However, it is not Lachinvar who is causing all the bother this time. There are, indeed, two knights errant and they are come out of the north. Actually, they are come out of Saanich and what dreadful influence their activities will have on the amalgamation problem heaven only knows!

Furthermore, as an added and pronounced departure from the Lachinvar pattern, both are ladies; a state of affairs which neither should nor has deterred them in the slightest degree. They have couched their lances, spurred their warhorses and with pennons flying bravely in the winter wind, charged the solid ranks of commercial enterprise.

Such gallantry invariably attracts support and this the ladies accumulated in big time at which point one of them was soberly reported to have made the curious statement that she "didn't expect this support . . . but would have been disappointed otherwise."

There Was No Warning

Apparently the enemy—our mercantile interests—were not warned of the attack. There were no noxes ultimatums or diplomatic exchanges of any kind. Before the me chants could hit the first key on the cash register, the knights were among them, flailing away with every weapon at their command. As these weapons consisted almost exclusively of words, serious casualties at the opening onset were few—if any—but battle did commence and it should develop into something far less innocuous.

This was the uneasy situation on November 23. That battle lines are being drawn, reserves called up and ammunition distributed and that calls to the flags are sounding forth on both sides is indisputable. The ladies have established a network of communications—some reports indicate 1,000 telephones!—and they have declared the terms upon which they are prepared to lay aside their lances and put their chargers back in the barn. The mercantile interests, however, are playing the whole hand close to the chest. A veil of secrecy covers their plans; they must be deploying their forces under the cover of night.

It's exciting!

As already intimated, the nub of the matter is Christmas. Perhaps the points which are sore enough to incite the ladies and their allies to such extremes can best be stated in their own

Do Christmas Carols



He couldn't care less.

words as reported on November 22. These would appear to be their minimum demands upon the merchants.

1. That they refrain from playing Christmas carols in stores until December 15. (Presumably mutual agreement on what specifically constitutes a "carol" would have to be reached. This is a borecat of a problem akin to determining what is salacious literature and what is not.)

2. That they begin their Christmas advertising and store decorations on December 1. (This date, by the way, falls on a Sunday next year so something will have to be done to iron that one out.)

3. That they end the spectacular "stunts" connected with the arrival of store "Santas". (Santas not destined for stores may be shot from cannons, arrive in hovercraft or submarines, or just wriggle down the plain old chimney anytime they like?)

The ladies and their army of supporters let go with remarks about "good taste," "Christmas spirit" and such other vague matters which are, in essence, personal and utterly incapable of definition outside of the worst dictatorships.

On the other side of the fence a statement from the merchants listed "10 points in favor of early Christmas activities" and the two actually detailed—early overhens mailing and the preparation of personalized gifts—seemed very substantial.

The Matter Was Pondered

Just as soon as the fray started I retired to my fallout shelter—not, the ladies will be glad to hear, as yet decorated for Christmas—and pondered the whole matter carefully. Due to the fact that the shelter is not only undecorated but also inadequately supplied, I returned to civilization after 18 hours of concentrated and increasing hunger.

But my mind was made up.

I am afraid I cannot go along with the ladies. It's not like me but there it is!

Here, with the utmost respect, are my reasons. There are five of them. My machinery cannot deliver ten like the Retail Merchants Association.

Finally, the ladies are issuing ultimatums of a very arbitrary nature. They don't shilly-

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shally around. December 15 is the date for carols. December 1 is the hour appointed for decoration and advertising. This appeals as regulation in the sternest form—Blue Laws, if there ever were such. The big difference here between the complainers and the defendants is that the former want ironclad restrictions on the happiest season of the year while the latter leave everybody completely free. Surely, because a store decorates or advertises there is no compulsion on anyone to dash madly to town on a Christmas shopping spree? The invitation is there but there is absolutely no reason for a single soul to take any notice of it until they are good and ready. Under the other scheme we shall all take care of Christmas "according to plan"—and somebody else's plan at that. It smacks of the circumvention of liberty, doesn't it?

Secondly, there must be genuine doubt as to what right anyone without a proprietary interest has to tell the stores what they may or may not do on or with their own property. The ladies have a ready recourse to solve their problem. If they object to store activities, if, they don't particularly fancy breakfast with Santa, if they are not in the mood for carols until December 15 or bells and twinkling lights until December 1, their remedy is simple. Stay away. Quite obviously there are those who do like these things or they would doubtless be discontinued.

Thirdly, there is the question of the "spirit of Christmas," not that purveyed by the LCB, but the moral and ethical variety. How many sermons, speeches, messages and proclamations have urged that this spirit be continued beyond the Christmas season? What's wrong with extending it in the other direction? The spirit of giving rather than grabbing, of consideration for others, of forgetting little slights and injuries, of seeing the best in a neighbor instead of the worst—these are the most worthwhile things in the world and they are the colors in the rainbow called Christmas. If these can be promoted, as to some extent they are by signs of Christmas, the darker these signs are abroad the better.

. . . and Avoid the Rush'

Fourthly, I wonder if the complainers could visualize the actual, physical effect of concentrating Christmas shopping into a short period. What about all the rushing and crushing that would inevitably ensue? It's bad enough the way it is. The ladies should compare the volume of business done at Christmas, 1961, with that of 1951, 1941 and so on.

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A Battered, Old Cap was the Little Man's

He is my most unforgettable character, yet strangely enough, I never knew his name. He was just "Pal" or "Partner" when we met, but secretly and affectionately I thought of him as "my little man." To him I was simply "Mate," and we became acquainted one wet blustery morning in downtown Vancouver. Hunched up in an overcoat, with my hands thrust deep in my pockets, I was walking morosely to work.

Suddenly an old battered cap came rolling and bouncing along the pavement, and landed sopping wet at my feet. After it came the little man, panting from exertion. Rushing forward, he snatched up the cap and wringing the water out of it, cried cheerily, "A BEAUTIFUL day, sir, thanks be to God!" Chuckling, he vigorously pulled the cap into shape, put it on his head and mashed it down securely with both hands.

"I wouldn't want to lose me topper, Mate," he confided. "She's been with me through all me ups and downs since I were just a young fella." Patting the cap again, he gave a playful leap off the ground, clicked his heels together and was off down the alley before I could reply. I stood in the pelting rain watching him go, and all at once I began to whistle.

I saw him frequently after that, a pathetic little soul, forlorn-looking in spite of his brave optimism, wearing a threadbare coat many sizes too large for him, the sleeves so long they were folded back into deep cuffs. His trousers were firmly tied with heavy white twine at the ankles and again just below the knees. "That keeps the wind out," he explained to me. His blue eyes shone with light reflected from looking on the bright side of things as he joked about life and the callousness of an indifferent world. His nose, thin, and pinched by cold and fatigue, supported his quaint old-fashioned eye-glasses. Those glasses, fragile, bent out of shape and mended in several places with bits of blackened tape, were a network of fine scratches impossible to see through. But that did not deter my little man—he always looked OVER them.

"These 'ere glasses belonged to me father," he said one day. "E left 'em to me when 'e passed on, 'e did, and they've done me right well ever since."

Sometimes I saw him toiling up the hilly street pushing a clumsy hand-cart piled high with boxes and cartons of all shapes and sizes. Sometimes I saw him racing down the hill helter-skelter, his top-heavy, lop-sided load swaying from side to side behind him, while my little man frantically pressed backward in an effort to guide and control it through the heavy traffic. Often I saw him in an alley collecting the precious cartons which earned for him a few badly-needed pennies. He always had a cheery greeting.

Our meetings were short, unexpected, and full of his lively but touching tragic-comedy. Gradually, from the scraps of information he gave me, I began to piece his life together and to understand his small oddities. Why, for instance, he took such delight in clicking his heels together in those comical leaps off the

BADGE

Of Courage

By E. VAN BUREN

ground and exclaiming, "Hallelujah!" And why he kept his head thrown back in such a challenging and uncomfortable manner. These were his gestures of defiance to an unkind fate.

Only once did I ever see his spirit falter. It was Sunday and Christmas Day, with a cold wind blowing in from the snow-covered mountains. I decided to get a breath of fresh air before dinner and so, walking down the almost-deserted street, I recognized his familiar but now dejected figure. Quite unaware of my approach, he stood in front of a second-hand store and gazed unseeing into its cluttered window. In that poignant moment I realized for the first time his great loneliness and fear. Fear of all the things he had known so intimately: poverty and privation, illness that had often made it impossible for him to carry on the good fight, and HUNGER. Now his drooping shoulders spoke eloquently of tired age—age and a sudden painful and overwhelming weariness of a long, hard struggle.

Quietly I touched his arm. "Come along, Pal; let's have a cup of coffee."

He turned without a word at my greeting, and in silent understanding we entered into the warmth and comfort of a small cafe. There the crisis passed. After some good food and friendly talk over a cup of coffee, he was himself again—a fighter.

A fighter back in the ring and ready for another round with fate. "Mate," he tapped my arm and twinkled, "it's just as I says to me Missus only this mornin', 'Buck up, Old Girl.' I says, 't's Christmas, and there's always a silver linin' somewhere!" Yes, sir, and—and—thank you, sir!"

It's Christmas again. Time has passed, and with it my little man. In my mind's eye I see his badge of courage—that small worn cap. The sun shone upon it and drained it of color, the wind blew over it, the rain beat upon it, and the snow sifted into it, but it went forth each day to be of service and, like its possessor, it had developed stamina and character.

Sometimes, when things are not going just right and I'm feeling a bit discouraged, I think I hear the cheery voice of my little man: "I'm SEVEN not SEVENTY! The wife's sick a-bed these many years, I'm sick meself and business is bad—bad. Do I worry? HALLELUJAH! They're God's worries, not mine!"

What a battle-scarred but incurable optimist he was—my little man.

Do Christmas Carols Come Too Early?

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back and then have a little pity on harassed store clerks trying to take care of all this business in the same length of time that their ancestors had to deal with a half or a quarter of it.

Fifthly, the ladies have lit into poor, old Santa who, in their view, arrives too early and often by the wrong mode of travel. Anything more spectacular than coming down a dirty, old chimney—especially with the fire still burning in the grate below—is hard to envisage. But Santa has forsaken the chimney where, in the old days, his chief difficulty was selecting the right flue. There were inviting forests of them on the roof of every ancestral mansion. His motive power no longer proceeds from the "32 feet and eight little tails" of Prancer, Dancer, Donner, Blitzen et al. Even Rudolf's red nose has, as it was said of the lights of Europe during wartime, gone out. Nowadays it is helicopters, parachutes and like up-to-date devices. Well all I can say here is that it has been an unalterable law of nature since the era of trilobites, dinosaurs and osteoicpis that you adapt and change with

the times or you are pretty soon extinct. Santa is no exception.

Likewise, at this point, I think that Francis Church's immortal editorial, "Is There a Santa Claus," could be read with some profit. Santa is not as important as the things he represents. . . . love and generosity and devotion, . . . faith, fancy, poetry . . . romance." Actually, it doesn't matter how or when these things get here, whether by the chimney-pot, rocket-propulsion or in your merry Oldsmobile.

Much the same argument applies to carols. Jealous guardianship is not the way to increase appreciation. Prayer is better uttered in times of need or inspiration than by the dictates of a time-table.

Snowballs in June

When it comes to starting the season early, I well remember that, when, for a brief while, I was in the retail business, Christmas buying was largely done in May. Snowballs, icicles, reindeer and Merry Christmas signs just when June was bustin' out all over! It may

well be that Christmas activities and business just won't compress into the span of time set by the ladies.

Also it is worth a thought that the actual date of Christmas, December 25, is not as surely the right one. True, it has been adopted, but it wasn't mentioned until close to 200 years after the time of Christ and at least five other dates have claims to representing the birthday. In Bethlehem: January 6, March 28, April 19 or 20, May 20 and November 17.

Let us leave Christmas alone. Let it be something for each individual to take care of as he or she thinks fit. It has yet to be proved that the things the ladies don't like actually do any harm and, until this can be proven beyond a reasonable doubt, for heaven's sake let's have no more twiddly restrictions. There are enough around already.

Well, here it is November 24. I've just got to stop and hurry downtown to do my Christmas shopping before it's too late!

Even Where Nature Is Most Beautiful A Man Must Walk Warily

One sunny late-September afternoon long ago I stepped down from the westbound passenger at Jasper, Alta. I had come home for a three-week holiday from my job as publicity man for the Canadian National Railways in New York City. In the course of the holiday I was to enter a cabin just below timber-line and see before me the meagre tokens of existence left behind by a man who had gone out from its door on an errand of a few minutes and whose fate it was never to return.

DEATH LURKS IN SILENCE

At the Jasper station to meet me was Major Fred Brewster.

After shaking hands his first words were, "I've got the horses lined up and a cook and a horse-wrangler. Where would you like to go?"

The invitation was a surprise. Taking into account my two-way journey across the country and a day or two with my people, I would have no more than ten days to give to an expedition into the mountains.

I looked up the Athabasca Valley to Mount Edith Cavell, described by an early traveller as "a white sheet let down from the sky," and westward from there to Whistler mountain rising above the town. Its blue slopes splashed with the vivid yellow of turned popular leaves. A day's travel by trail beyond Whistler was the Tonquin Valley where grim, ice-encrusted peaks lifted above the alpine meadows.

Turning to Brewster I told him that I would like to find a pass from the Tonquin in Alberta over into the Fitzwilliam Basin in British Columbia. Years before when I lived in Lucerne on Yellowhead Lake I had often hiked up a trapper's trail into the Fitzwilliam Basin, a place of muskeg and spruce drained by a deep and slow-moving stream. In those days I had still to see the Tonquin. I knew it lay beyond the ridges to the south but I had not found the way across to it.

IN LATER YEARS, working as a guide for Brewster I had often taken horses into it from Jasper. The pilgrims I guided however invariably had to return to the railroad within a prescribed number of days and there was never time to discover if a route possible for horses existed between the Tonquin and Fitzwilliam basin.

Now for the first time and with a full outfit at my disposal I was to have the part of a pilgrim Brewster, stocky, rocky, with a clipped brown moustache and a leathery complexion, a man then in his forties, was one of the "Brewster Boys," six or seven of them, who since the turn of the century had been guides out of Banff and later out of Jasper. Fred, with his younger brother, Jack, had come into the Athabasca Valley before the laying of steel around 1908.

Charlie Bowlen, our horse-wrangler, was the son of a pioneer Alberta rancher and one of Brewster's top hands. Tall, slow spoken, he was an outstanding horseman. Our cook was Joe Weiss, a German Swiss.

TWO MORNINGS AFTER my arrival in Jasper Brewster and I were driven ten miles up the highway to Portal Creek. There at the bridge the outfit, saddled and with the packs ready to be thrown on, waited for us. Alec Nellis, a Jasper Park warden, was there, too. He was to travel with us as far as the ranger's cabin in the Tonquin. We pulled out, a string of five saddle-horses and five carrying packs. Following Portal Creek to its head we would cross Maccarib Pass and from it drop down into the Tonquin.

By lunch-time we were in snow and later on in the pass it lay two feet deep, gleaming

against the sun until it seemed to blister the eyes. Crossing the pass, Mount Geikie, the Ram-pars and other peaks above the Tonquin came into view, white-robed, majestic, like a vision of frozen eternity.

About five o'clock in the afternoon Brewster, Ellis and I dismounted before the ranger's cabin. Bowlen and Weiss went on with the rest of the outfit to make camp a mile or so farther down the valley.

THE WARDEN in the Tonquin was a man named Goodair. An Englishman with a taste for literature, especially for the works of Robert Louis Stevenson, he was thought to be a veteran of the Klondyke gold rush. Like many men in that country who chose to spend most of their days alone, he was reticent about his past. I had last seen him a couple of years before loading a pack-horse in the government corral in Jasper. Pulling tight the final hitch of his "diamond" he did not, as most men do, put his foot against the pack. Instead, holding a longer length of rope in hand, he stood off and tugged from a distance as though he feared to go close to the horse's hooves.

Coming down the trail we had remarked that no smoke showed from his cabin chimney. He might well have been out looking after his horses but now, with dusk approaching, we thought that he would soon be returning.

Here a thousand feet below Maccarib Pass the snow was only inches deep in the stunted timber. The snow was a recent fall from the usual equinoctial storm and in a few days most of it would disappear to be followed by two or three weeks of "Indian Summer."

Approaching the cabin and seeing no footprints leading to its door we decided that Goodair was absent with his horses on a patrol of the park's western boundary—until we observed his saddle gear and panniers laid out on the porch protected under the overhang of the roof.

WE TIED OUR HORSES to the nearby hitching rail, unlatched the cabin door and knocking the snow from our boots, went inside. It was hushed, chill and in twilight. The plank-topped table was set with knife, fork, spoon and enamel cup. Against the west wall the bunk with its crimson Hudson's Bay blanket was neatly made; a grey mackinaw shirt tossed upon it. By the stove the wood-box was full. On the cold stove was the making of a meal, bacon and potatoes partly cooked.

Brewster went over to the bunk and lit a match to see the time upon the watch hung by its leather strap from a nail in the log wall. The watch was stopped at 20 minutes after six. It might have stopped that morning or the night before. Snow had been falling on the mountains around Jasper for the two days previous to our departure. Goodair had set out from his



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cabin before that time because he left no foot
prints behind him. He had been absent now for
at least two days and two nights when all the
indications, the half-cooked food, the set table
showed that he had intended to be away only
a matter of minutes.

What had called him from his preparations
for a meal we could only guess. Perhaps a
passing horse's bell, and he had gone out to see
that all of his several horses were on hand.
But that had been two days or more ago and the
timber-line Tonquin Valley was prime grizzly
country.

A SINGLE STRAND of wire strung upon
the trees led down Meadow Creek to the railroad
and connected the telephone on the cabin wall
with the park headquarters in Jasper. Nellis
went to the telephone and twisting the handle
rang the combination which put him through
to the chief warden.

This was Dick Langford, now living at 1314
Beach Drive, Victoria. His daughter, Dian, is
married to Bert Kyle of Duncan.

"There's something wrong up here," Nellis
said into the mouthpiece and then described
the circumstances of our arrival at Goodair's cabin.
Langford set out early the next morning on the
30-mile ride from Jasper reaching the Tonquin
that afternoon.

He has recently told me of the thoughts that
came to him upon receiving Nellis' message.
He remembered that ten days earlier Goodair
had called for permission to make a four-day
patrol south to the head of the Whirlpool. He
believed that trappers from B.C. were setting
themselves up there for a winter's illegal trapping
in Jasper Park. Langford advised him to
"go ahead."

The first thing that Langford noticed as he
approached the cabin the afternoon following
Nellis' call was that Goodair's saddle, blankets
and panniers were neatly arranged under the
overhang of his porch. He had completed his
arrangements for the patrol. His next logical
step would have been to go out and bring in
his horses or at least, if this was on the even-
ing before his planned departure, to go out
and discover where they were so as to make
their finding easier in the morning.

LANGFORD KNEW, as we did not, that to
this end Goodair had a favoured "look-out" a
few hundred yards behind and above his cabin
from which he could scan the sparsely timbered
valley floor. Leaving his horse, Langford
at once began the short climb to the look-out.

Not much more than a hundred yards from
the cabin he came upon Goodair's snow-covered
body just beyond a piece of down-timber which
spanned the faint trace of trail. Mackinaw shirt
and flesh were torn from one side of the dead
man's chest, the ribs caved in. Before dying
Goodair had used his bandana handkerchief to

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CHRISTMAS
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Her Gentle Fingers 'Watch' Her Garden Grow

Worms and I do not think much of each other as a rule, but there are times when I am digging in the garden that I would be glad to know that there were several of these little animals in every spade-full of earth that I turn up. If I ever do find one, I deliberately cut it in half, going by the theory that both halves will live and produce more of their own kind.

Often, too, I am annoyed with George, our perennial homesteader who follows me about whenever I am working in the garden. For he, like all robins, plants his feet firmly on the ground, jerks his head to get a better grip on some poor, wretched worm who had the temerity to poke his head above the grass roots for a breath of air. George can have all the coton-caster and rowanberries he wants in the autumn but, in spring, I wish that he would stick to earwigs and other destructive insects as a steady diet.

We are quite good to our robins and all the other little birds that live in the bushes 'round about us. I am never allowed to prune any of the bushes until all the birds have deserted their nests. By that time I have probably forgotten all about it anyway.

I am not always kind to my plants. They have to be of a very hardy and tenacious breed to withstand my ministrations. Take geraniums for instance, I dig them up in the autumn, cut the tops off down to where they fork, put the root ends in a carton and store them in the basement until spring. Then I plant all the cuttings in flats in the little greenhouse and tend them carefully, covering them with newspapers when the weather is cold, for the greenhouse is unheated. By spring I have a supply of healthy young plants.

I proudly planted them in their bed and decided to give them a really good start by mixing a handful of fertilizer in every hole. I was pleased with the result till a few days later the lower leaves began to turn red, then wither and drop off, one by one, until my little plantation looked like a grove of miniature palm trees, tall stems and only a tuft of green leaves at the top. It was disappointing but as I couldn't think of anything better to do with them, I left them as they were. In time, when they recovered from their overdose of fertilizer, they grew and flourished. There must

GREEDY ROBIN STILL A FRIEND

By EILEEN BLANCHET
whose article, written
in Braille, was transcribed
for The Islander

be a special Providence that takes a hand in helping the blind gardener.

Bulbs too must have a great determination to live. When I am planting them, I feel every bulb carefully, to try to decide which point should be upwards. Sometimes I am right, sometimes wrong. But, in the spring when they start to grow, little green shoots climb up the sides of their fat little bodies to make their way to the sun and air and produce a bloom as beautiful as any of their sisters who had been fortunate enough to be planted right side up.

Last year I treated myself to a supply of new and gorgeous bulbs for a long border beside the driveway. A friend had told me that tulips liked lime so I hunted in the basement and found what I was looking for. I spent a long and arduous morning planting my groups of bulbs, mixing the white powder

lavishly in the bottom of every hole . . . planting deeply and carefully. When at last I straightened up my aching back, I felt an exhilaration and a sense of achievement in a job well done. Just then my sister appeared beside me and said, "Did you know you were using plaster of paris?"

With a sense of shock I remembered that I had two containers in the basement, one of lime and the other plaster of paris. There was nothing that I could do about it, the bulbs were firmly encased in plaster casts, such as I used for my pottery, and I never expected to see them again. To my incredulous surprise when spring came, little green points pushed their way up through the earth and in time became the colorful and glorious display that I had long since ceased to hope for.

Sometimes I go out on the lawn in the morning, put my hands out to feel the rough bark of the big trees and listen to the breeze in the leaves, high overhead. Birds of all kinds are twittering and singing in the bushes. As I walk towards the back of the house, I hear our gorgeously plumed pheasant giving his raucous cry from his favorite rock on the hillside; a snake uncoils himself from his spot in the sun and slithers off into the underbrush. Our little mother wren is happy in her nest in the clothespin bag on the back porch and I think that this is our little empire, a place where a blind gardener can work contentedly.

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an effort to staunch the flow of blood from his mortal wound.

Several times the previous summer he had written in his diary—a record which all park wardens keep—of sighting a grizzly bear and her yearling cub close to his cabin. In the park grizzlies, like other animals, are protected and in any case if unmolested are seldom a threat to man.

Langford now believes that immediately after his telephone conversation with Goodair of ten days before the latter, having gathered

his gear together, interrupted his supper-making for a final glance at his horses' whereabouts. On his way up to the look-out he jumped over the down-timber across the trail and landed where the she-grizzly was bedded down with her cub. Broken branches on a nearby 30-foot spruce tree indicated that he had tried to escape her assault by climbing it. Reports to the contrary notwithstanding, grown grizzlies with their long straight claws, unlike the smaller black bears with their curved ones, do not climb trees.

Goodair was buried two days later in a coffin which Langford and Nellie made from the whip-sawed lumber of the cabin's porch. The simple ceremony was attended by members of the Masonic Order who rode in from Jasper. With them were Tony Frere, Inspector of the RCMP, and my father, Thomas O'Hagan, the town doctor, who was there as coroner.

Langford's grave is on a bluff behind his cabin and to this day is carefully tended by the park authorities. On its head-piece are inscribed a few lines from Stevenson's "Requiem."

"Home in the sailor, home from the sea
And the hunter, home from the hill."

This column was to have been a chronicle of finding a new pass across the mountains, from Alberta into B.C. Instead it has become that of one man's last minutes on earth as he made ready to go on with his duties for another day. It has been truly said, "A man dies, but his names lives on."

Brewster and I, after four days of scouting,

brought our horses over two passes into Fitzwilliam basin, named for the peak above it. The lack of blazes or stumps in the timber beyond the passes indicated that we were the first white men to pass that way. Under a rocky overhang a meat rack which crumbled to powder at a touch showed, however, that Indians had been there before us.

In the green meadows of Fitzwilliam basin we were below the snow. We camped there for two days and then followed the trapper's trail down to Yellowhead Lake and the railroad.

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one would ever think that they would be caught playing with such things. At no time in the year would they, but Christmas is a great time for the purpose of making people do unaccountable things that they're not sorry for then, or afterward."

I hope that all you who read this message from so many years back will feel some of the peace and happiness contained therein—the friendly spirit. I wish all of you who have written and telephoned to me about matters historical during the year, a happy Christmas season, and a good New Year. Your interest in history is paying dividends; for more and more of our people are becoming conscious of the past, and of the men and women who made great events.

So He Could Best Apply His Knowledge DOCTOR EARNED HIS WINGS

By ED COSGROVE

A lot of men who lacked 20-20 vision managed to win their pilot's wings in the RAF, thanks to a determined Vancouver Island-born doctor who felt that a "handicapped man with courage" could be a better pilot than a "visual superman afraid of his machine."

The easing of the RAF's rigid vision requirements was one of his many contributions made during a distinguished career in aviation that spans flying's formative years.

In his autobiography, Air Marshal Sir Philip Livingston, in an easy, informal style, conjures up nostalgic scenes of boyhood on Vancouver Island. His descriptions of E & N-train trips from his Kok-silah Valley birthplace to the big city of Victoria have universal appeal.

The death of his father and resulting circumstances forced the family to return to England, settling in London. His mother's determination and sacrifices made it possible for Philip to be educated at Cambridge where he shone as an oarsman and rowed in the 1911 Oxford-Cambridge race.

FRINGE OF THE CLOUDS,
by Air Marshal Sir Philip
Livingston, KBE, CB, AFC,
FRCS. Ryerson; illustrated;
\$3.50.

He went on to medical training at the London Hospital but interrupted his career to serve as a probationary surgeon in the Royal Navy for 21 months.

At the end of this period he returned to London Hospital to complete his medical studies.

A restlessness born of the war led him into a career with the forces and he enlisted with the RAF. In the course of duties in Iraq and India, his interest in ophthalmology was awakened and he took a diploma in ophthalmic medicine and surgery in 1923, quickly followed by a Fellowship in the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, in 1925.

Applying this field of study to flying, he realized that a full understanding of aviation optics could only be gained as a pilot, and in 1931 he qualified for his wings.

Research work from then on was focussed on practical aspects of flying and he made important



AIR MARSHAL
SIR PHILIP LIVINGSTON

pioneer studies of night vision and eye muscle training, which later paid off for the night flying crews of the RAF in the Second World

War. For this work, he was awarded the Air Force Cross.

Subsequent to the war, he was appointed officer in charge of medical services, South-East Asia Command.

Honors followed fast. To a CBE in 1946 were added the Czechoslovak Medal of Merit in 1947 and the CB in 1948. He was appointed an honorary surgeon of the King in May 1948, and received his knighthood in 1950.

Between 1948 and 1951 he was Director General of RAF Medical Services. Retiring from this post, he returned to Canada and resumed private practice in Duncan. He currently resides at Qualicum Beach.

The book tells simply and without affectation the story of a doctor's views of the medical problems attendant on aviation.

In his book he describes unconventional scenes of night life in Bombay, an inglorious flight in Iraq that led to the destruction of three aircraft and the beginnings of revolution in Southeast Asia after the last war.

All in all, it is a warm-hearted and interesting volume that qualifies for this reviewer's personal recommendation.

Small Color in the Sand

Reviewed by PERCY ROWE

As sure as there are hunting seasons, anthologists are sitting ducks. And Mr. Toye, with his collection of Canadian writing, offers a very broad target.

He had, of course, an unenviable task. Hardly anything written by a Canadian before the First World War is worth reading, very little written before the Second War is any better, and what is left shows a remarkable lack of passion and humor. And this paragraph, if it is any consolation to Mr. Toye, should make me an even broader target than he is.

He of course had his restrictions.

A BOOK OF CANADA, edited
by William Toye; Collins;
\$3.50.

He had to attempt an historical procession, and has more than exceeded his brief here by going back to 1010 A.D.!

He had to satisfy all parts of the country, like a literary cabinet-maker.

He had to recognize that 99 per cent of our country is still in its natural state.

He had to make a pretence at looking for humor.

He had to recognize certain sacred cows of the schoolroom.

He had to offer some poetry.



Anthologist Hunts Literary Nuggets

So, what have we? A few really memorable pieces, like an excerpt from Gabrielle Roy's *Where Nests the Water Hen*, Hugh MacLennan's description of the Halifax explosion from *Barometer Rising*, and the poignant entries in Edgar Christian's diary as he died, miserably, in the *Barren Lands*.

Mariposa, of right, and the painter A. Y. Jackson's clean paragraphs on living in the north, and James Reaney's mockery of bigness as embodied in the first two lines of his poem, *Lake Huron*:

Yoo-hoo Yoo-hoo

I'm blue, blue

And way back in the mists of the 16th century the remarkable account of how Sieur de Roberval cast his niece and her lover onto an island in the Strait of Belle Isle, and how she, having lost lover, child, and servant, was found two years later.

And yet I quibble.

Malcolm Lowry, despite his limited output is, in my opinion, the greatest prose writer to date on a Canadian theme; yet he is represented by a poem. There is a lack of fun in Canadian writing, but couldn't a pun or two of Eric Nicol and perhaps a glimpse of Hebert's *Sweet Smogstress of Saskatchewan* have been included?

Still, apart from Nellie McClung (ugh for effort) and a swath of diary-like recollections of the 18th century, nothing is really as uninspiring in Mr. Toye's selection as the 51 photographs used to illustrate this book. They are in any CPR station and the Quebec Provincial Museum.

NEW BOOKS and AUTHORS

To the Problems of the World . . .

MONTY has the ANSWERS

THREE CONTINENTS by Field Marshal Montgomery; Collins; \$3.50.

Reviewed by JOHN BISHOP

I believe it was some time late in 1959 that readers of the daily press were edified by a news item telling us that Viscount Montgomery of Alamein had left London by plane "to sit on a Swiss mountain and think."

I remember watching the papers for some considerable time, hoping (but alas, vainly) to be further enlightened by some account of the thoughts that must have crowded Monty's head.

Perhaps it was while he sat in lone Alpine splendor that the framework of *Three Continents* was born. Certainly it was very soon after that period of magnificent meditation that he embarked on the grand tour which took him successively (and, of course, successfully) to Africa, India, China (twice), Central America and then back to Africa. This tour was preceded by a junket to Russia in May of 1959.

As an obvious result of such extensive travel, Monty has the answer to just about anything you can ask.

What is more, the answer is plain, stark, simple truth, especially simple.

He knows exactly the situation in China. Did he not travel 10,000 miles in that country? "Confidence in the Communist Party is expressed by all: the faith in Mao Tse-tung is as firm as ever . . . During my tour I saw no cases of malnutrition; and I was informed in Hong Kong that there has been no sign of it among the refugees who come in from China. I have a feeling that the adverse comments about the situation in China are made by people who want the present regime . . . to fall; they are certainly made by people who have not penetrated into the centre of China and seen what is going on, as I have. We must remember that uninformed criticism is valueless."

After 90 pages on China we are given a dozen on India, devoted mainly to a eulogy of Nehru as a leader. Monty strongly advises him to "decentralize" and to "look ahead." We trust that the great Panditji will do both these things.

Monty devotes considerable space to Africa,



VISCOUNT MONTGOMERY . . .
he went to the mountain

cannot escape from the fact that whenever I went in South Africa I saw a most happy relationship between black and white. Those who attempt to undermine or destroy this relationship are not true friends of that country."

Chapter Eleven, Defence Policy in the Western World, is full of advice. Boiled down, it is this: we should work for a friendly China and get all armed forces of all nations back into their home countries.

But the advice is slightly weakened when he speaks of our "defence posture" as if we were striking a pose — when he obviously means "defence position." It is further weakened when he urges us to "take no steps which will mitigate against the ultimate achievement of the aim" — when he really means "militate." That his publishers took no steps to expunge these (and other) howlers leads us to suspect that no one can summon the temerity to proofread Monty.

All through the book, nobody "thinks" everyone "reckons." I have not actually counted them, but there must be 35 or 40 forms of this annoying word masquerading as an English verb. A favorite adverb of Monty's, used at the beginning of a paragraph, where most writers would say "All things considered" or some such phrase, is "Overall" followed by a comma. Another such is "All-in-all." These are peppered throughout the text, though not with the gay abandon of the "reckons." They irritate.

But these are minor irritations indeed compared to the monumental vanity of the man. Of the two dozen or so photographs in the book, Monty's face is in all but one. The lone exception is a portrait of Nehru, and it is a miracle that Monty didn't get into that one.

But the best example of all to illustrate Monty's monolithic self-assurance is this quote: "It is amazing to me that political leaders in the West cannot understand this: I have given my views on the subject in speeches in the House of Lords, but it makes no difference; they will not agree."

Vanity can be excused, of course. But inexcusable is Monty's tendency to treat the reader as if he were of subnormal intelligence.

There are numerous instances of this but why quote them? They are only likely to give you the splitting headache which his travels must have been to his home government and many of his heads.

Terrible Indictment THE ADMIRAL WAS EXECUTED

His name was Admiral the Hon. John Byng.

Precisely at noon on March 14, 1757, he knelt on a red cushion on the quarterdeck of HMS Monarch. A neatly folded handkerchief was in each hand. One handkerchief he bound about his head to serve as a bandage for his eyes. The other he held up with his right hand, poised for a moment or two, then let it flutter to the sawdust-covered deck.

At this signal a Marine firing squad and the muzzles of those in the front rank were less than two feet away from his breast — fired. Later, in the log of the Monarch, was written: "At 12 Mr. Byng was shot dead by six Marines and put into his coffin."

Thus was given the coup de grace to what author Dudley Pope characterizes as "one of the most cold-blooded and cynical acts of judicial murder in the whole of British history."

His book stands as an indictment of the ministers of the

Crown who "actually contrived the disgrace and trial of the admiral so that he should be the scapegoat for their tardiness, stupidity and neglect."

It is a masterpiece of meticulous detail and recreation of background.

What had Byng done to merit execution as a common criminal, to earn the dubious distinction of being the only British admiral ever to have been so treated?

After long years of faithful service, he had the misfortune to

AT 12 MR. BYNG WAS SHOT, by Dudley Pope; McClelland & Stewart; \$3.50.

be placed at the head of a small, undermanned, ill-equipped fleet. Its destination was Minorca. Byng's squadron was too small and too late. Byng was hampered by a set of antiquated fighting instructions. Nevertheless he engaged the enemy, inflicted and sustained considerable damage, and the French squadron withdrew. But a garbled French report that he had been defeated fell into British official hands. On the strength of this flimsy evidence he was brought to court-martial, accused of "not doing his utmost."

The court gave Byng a clean bill of health on the score of

cowardice. But the members of the court were not clear on the actual wording of the charge. The terrifying result was that they sentenced him to death for an error in judgment.

This was no offence. But only the feeblest of measures were taken to right the wrong and save his life. The government was out to get him, and they got him.

Voltaire gave Byng a doubtful immortality in *Candide*, who sees someone on board a ship facing a firing squad at Portsmouth. He is informed: "In this country it is thought well to kill an admiral from time to time to encourage the others."

The Last-Minute Shopper Usually Wants

Girl friends and fiancees come in all sizes and shapes. They have readily identifiable hair and eye coloring. But wives are different. They come in just one size: "your size."

This remarkable metamorphosis which takes place when a woman becomes "the little woman" applies equally whether the "you" referred to is a tiny school girl acting as sales clerk during her Christmas holidays, or a strapping male departmental supervisor who happens to get buttonholed by a desperate member of his own sex in the last-minute rush to get a Christmas present for "the wife."

Wives can take comfort from the fact that in the few instances where shopping husbands make a vague effort at size identification, it is invariably considerably on the small side. Thus love, if not exactly blind or rose-be-spectacled, at least looks flatteringly through the wrong end of the telescope and makes a size 26 come out a 12.

These peculiarities of the male shopper, who puts off his gift buying until the last possible minute and then invades the stores in droves, accounts for about 90 per cent of post-Christmas exchanges.

A lot of men, resigned to the philosophy which says, "All the men buy December 24; all the women return their presents on the 27th," will tell the sales clerk quite frankly, "It doesn't matter what I buy; she'll trade it anyway."

High percentage of exchanges accounts for the fact stores, especially the large ones, must order in special stock, timed to be put on the shelves when the earliest trademen make their appearance. Otherwise, of course, the store stands to lose the sale. Oddly enough, most of the women who take back gifts don't want money; they want something in the same line as the gift—only the right size, perhaps a more becoming color, or a different material. So the thought, at least, is appreciated.

Tomorrow, as the last-minute-men sally forth, a few departments can be counted upon to carry the load. These are: lingerie and housecoats, cosmetics, handbags, and jewellery.

Men's evident determination to buy their wives lingerie, coupled with their shyness about stating their requirements in front of women shoppers and fear of being laughed at, is responsible for the trend to "For Men Only" shopping departments, and one local specialty store's "Stag Night."

Black lingerie holds an eternal fascination. "She'd never buy it for herself, so I'll buy it for her." And "I'll get her out of those Bannelette things if I have to spend \$50."

To the man buying his wife "something nice, but practical," the housecoat probably leads in popularity. In one family, one year, it was so popular that father and four grown sons each bought "mother" a housecoat. Two were exactly alike. All were top-grade garments. On Dec. 27, the lady came in laden with the five housecoats, selected from the replacement stock one that fitted and cost between \$10 and \$15, and pocketed a sizable roll of change.

Occasionally a man will admit quite frankly, "I'm buying her a housecoat so I can get my own dressing gown back." And one grumbler at a perfume counter was heard to complain loudly that the scent he wanted to spray on some artificial flowers cost more than the flowers.

But most last-day shoppers are quite happily imbued with Christmas spirit, not to say spirit—for some undoubtedly put off their buying until the office Christmas party has provided a little false courage.

The perfume counter is the obvious luxury answer for the man who admits that vagueness about size could be a drawback. Here, happily enveloped by pleasant aromas, his best guide is the shrewd psychology of an experienced saleswoman, for it's highly probable that he barely knows a bar of soap from an oil bath.

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Something

for the

Little Woman

says GINNIE BEARDSLEY



ANGELA MOLOFFY gives hints to "shoppers" Jim Kibbitt, Lloyd Leah, Eric Dowell and Michael Parsons.

Some men, finally, take what could have been an easy, pleasant, and successful way out long ahead of that hectic last day. They talk to the personal shopper, who is used to a wild assortment of requests from kegs of kippers to "any present, so long as you put an orchid on top of the box." At the last minute, of course, even a personal shopper can't rub a lamp and conjure up a vision, complete with size measurements, of an absent wife, but she covers all departments and can suggest from any of them.

Do women shop the last day? Oh, yes, although the unusual influx of men tends to obscure the fact. They buy most of the men's shirts that have to be returned for wrong collar size or sleeve length that day. These they have evidently already bought. And ties, in spite of all the jokes about them, are seldom returned, by the way. Men evidently feel it's easier to suffer a few wearings, then quietly lose the worst ones in a bottom drawer, than to hurt the giver's feelings. Women also buy "trim-a-home" items, perhaps in a last minute effort to outdo the neighbors in decoration.

Women of course always do a lot of last-minute food shopping. Some perfectly routine article like salt or baking soda has been forgotten in the hustle of preparing lists of reasonable goodies. Or there are more guests coming than planned for and a hasty switch has to be made in the size of the turkey ordered for last-day delivery. Or the pre-

Christmas callers ate all the nuts and more are needed to complete the Christmas table. Or Father didn't measure when he was pouring the ginger ale . . .

Biggest headache about Christmas food is the number of people who get panicky when store closing time comes on Christmas Eve and the turkey hasn't arrived. As one store executive said, "We have to keep someone here on the phone all Christmas Eve, keep a truck available, and even keep a small stock of turkeys, just in case some order has got lost in the shuffle and a customer should wake up to a turkeyless Christmas Day." Chances are of course overwhelming that delivery is simply late, but it wouldn't do to take a chance.

This year should see a bumper crop of December 24 shoppers, because of the fact that many firms whose announced pay date for employees is December 27 can be relied on to loosen up the purse strings before closing time on Dec. 24. This day, when little office business is likely to get done, can be relied on to be a big one for the stores. Surprisingly few people will resort to the gift certificate, which comes in all shapes and sizes to fit everyone on your list, and in a wonderful assortment of colors; but an amazing number of people who are dauntless shoppers will get exactly what they want, in spite of tight inventories.

I started Christmas shopping last January, but I'll see you downtown tomorrow—Want to bet?